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LIST OF DEPARTURES FROM BOMBAY FOR MARSEILLES & LONDON

WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT BRINDISI AND MALTA.

Date of Sailing.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
1910.				
17th Dec.	ARABIA	7903	MONGOLIA	9505
24th "	SALSETTE	6000		
31st "	EGYPT	7912		
1911				
7th Jan.	SALSETTE	6000	MOREA	10890
14th "	HIMALYA	6938		
21st "	SALSETTE	6000	MOOLTAN	9621
28th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
4th Feb.	SALSETTE	6000	CHINA	7932
11th "	DELTA	8013		
18th "	SALSETTE	6000	MANTUA	10988
25th "	ARABIA	7903		
4th March	MALWA	10863		
11th "	EGYPT	7912		
18th "	SALSETTE	6000	MACEDONIA	10512
22nd "	ARCADIA	7000		
25th "	PERSIA	7951		
1st April	MARMORA	10509		
8th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
15th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOLDAVIA	9500
22nd "	MANTUA	10895		
29th "	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	9505
6th May	ARABIA	7903		
13th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOREA	10890
20th "	EGYPT	7912		

The above Mail Steamers are fitted with WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The above Steamers convey Passengers to Marseilles, Plymouth and London.

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AT REDUCED FARES.

Steamers.	Tons.	Leave Bombay, 1910.	Leave Karachi, 1910.
C. City of Benares	11000	.....	Dec. 30
			1911
B. City of Naples	9500	.....	Jan. 11
B. Merton Hall	6700	not fixed.	...
C. City of Glasgow	9500	.....	Feby. 4
C. City of Madrid	7500	.....	" 17
A. City of Vienna	8000	.....	March 4
A. Trafford Hall	8000	March 17	* " 14
C. City of Athens	8100	" 24	* " 21
C. City of Benares	11000	.....	April 8
C. City of Karachi	*8400	April 11	...
C. City of York	11000	" 24	* " 21
B. Merton Hall	6700	Not fixed.	...
C. City of Glasgow	9500	May 12	* May 9
B. City of Naples	9500	.....	" 17
A. Trafford Hall	8000	" 30	...
C. City of Manchester	8900	.....	June 10
C. City of York	11000	.....	July 15
C. City of Paris	11000	.....	" 19
C. City of Glasgow	9000	.....	August 1
C. City of Lahore	9000	.....	" 12
A. Trafford Hall	8000	.....	" 24
C. City of Calcutta	11000	.....	Sept. 5
C. City of Manchester	8900	.....	" 12
C. City of Athens	8100	October 1	...
C. City of York	11000	.....	Nov. 2
C. City of Lahore	9000	.....	" 10
C. City of Benares	11000	.....	" 18
C. City of London	11000	.....	" 24
A. Trafford Hall	8000	.....	Dec. 6
C. City of Athens	8100	.....	" 29

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FOR KARACHI.

Weekly from Victoria Dock.

Steamer.	Tons.	Sailing.	Date.	Time.	Route via.
Linga	2171	Mon.	19th Dec.	11 a.m.	†P D & C M
Dumra	1695	Thurs.	22nd Dec.	9 a.m.	via C. M.
Lhasa	2171	Fri.	23rd Dec.	6 a.m.*	direct.

†Porebunder, Dwarka and Cutch Mandvi.
*Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.

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TO MARSEILLES.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captain.	To Sail on THURSDAY
Armand-Behic	6,385	Guionnet	22nd Dec. 1910.
Australien	6,385	Mouton	19th Jan. 1911.
Nera	5,538	Casanova	16th Feb. 1911.
Yarra	4,142	Ristorcelli	16th Mar. 1911.
Dumbea	5,685	Rebufat	13th April 1911.
Polynesien	6,363	Bruno	11th May 1911.
Australien	6,385	Mouton	8th June 1911.
Salazie	4,147	Riquier	6th July 1911.

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Dumbea	5,685	Rebufat	27th Jan. 1911.

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Koerber	5423	A. Foresti	1st Jany. 1911
Bohemia	4281	G. Gillhuber	16th " "
Africa	4719	E. Seberich	1st Feby. "
Praga	3905	M. Dabcevich	16th " "
Koerber	5423	A. Foresti	1st March "
Bohemia	4281	G. Gillhuber	16th " "
Africa	4719	E. Seberich	1st April "
Praga	3905	M. Dabcevich	16th " "
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Bohemia	4281	G. Gillhuber	16th " "
Africa	4719	E. Seberich	1st June "

ORDINARY LINE via KARACHI.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captain.	To sail about.
China	6017	P. Pavisich	29th December.
Fr. Ferdinand	6046	B. Coboi	29th January.

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* Fares according to position of cabin and class of Railway.

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Homayun	3,363	T. L. Molony	10th May
Khosrou	3,768	J. Hannah	25th May
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Reserve Liability of Proprietors	$ 15,000,000
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FREDERICK W. HANSON,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 5th December, 1910.

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SHIPS IN THE HARBOUR. Dec 16.

Arcadia...3514 Barcham Shnghai...18-1-1911 P & O Co
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Tunhow.....902 Kidd .....W & A Graham & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.—Dec. 16.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Dest.	Date.	Agents
A Feliciana.....	3785	Falck	N F.....	N F...W & A Graham & Co
B Hidalgo.....	..2761	Croft ..	Hull via Karachi ..	23-12 J Finlay & Co
C&R Appledore	2478	Jones...	Manchester.....	24-12 W & A Graham & Co
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G Hogsince	934	Hughes.....	Jeddah.....	21 12... B & P S N Co
H Shah Ameer...	1921	Cusack...	Mauritius	20-12 Bo & H S N Co
L Abydos	1939	Smails...	Repairing...	G Hoosein Kasam & Co
M Dorington Court...	2862	Wilson ..	Antwerp...	20-12 .. W & A G & Co
N Ocean Prince ...	3288	Barett ...	Philadelphia...	20-12 R A Willis
P Gutenfels...	3551	Diedricilsen...	Hamburg via Karachi	28-12...W & A Graham & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

5 Scalda.....3438 Childley .....Karachi...17 12 .. M M & Co
6 Banca...3794 Collyer... Kobe 24 12 P & O S N & Co
10&11 City of Benares ...4321 Elliot ...Karachi...20-12 K Nixon & Co
16 Tuscany .....1872 Smellie...Rotterdam...24 1... K Nixon & Co

H W P D

Kaveri...553 Dawood...B Nagar...17 12...Bo N Co Ld
Satrunji.....547 Esmail ....Karachi... ..17 12... .. Bo S N Co Ld
Sarasvati .....443 Ebrahim.....Mangalore..... 6 12 Bo S N Co Ld
Mahanadi ..... 547 Ahmed.....Mangalore ..19 12... Bo S N Co Ld
uba ..... 134 Dawood... Goa...N F...Bo S N Co Ld M W D D
Cressnell.....2002 Bull...Repairing.....W & A G & Co

Offside D & E

Delta .....4780 Snow...Shanghai...21-12 ..P & O Co Offside L
Othello.....3327 Webster...Repairing.....James Finlay & Co Ld

30 ton Cranes.

Dredger Jinga..... .....401 .....B P Trust ..14-11

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From
16	Egypt	Summers.....	London, Nov 25
	Beme	Younger	Rangoon, Dec 7
	R I M S Dufferin..	Cobson	Suez, Dec 5

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
16	Lhasa	McDiarmid ..	Karachi
	Blakemoor	Knott	Hull, &c
	Adamsturn	Hasenhoir ...	Hamburg
	Capri	Moresco	Hongkong
	Bingo Maru	Parsons	Kobe, &c
	Praga	Dalecovich ...	Trieste

The following vessels began to load on Friday :—
Steamer Newbridge for Liverpool &c.
a " Moravia for Trieste &c.
" Shah Amir for Karachi.
" Markgruf for Zanzibar &c.
" Gutenfels for Hamburg &c.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The German East Africa Line st amer Sultan left Mombasa for Bombay yesterday, via Lamu.

MANNING THE MERCANTILE MARINE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Of late we have seen a recurrence of interest in the question of the manning of the Mercantile Marine, a large Conference, held in London under the auspices of the Navy League, has appointed an influential Committee which proposes to press forward the desirability of further training schemes in order to encourage British boys to go to sea and thus gradually eliminate the great evil of aliens forming such a large portion of crews of British ships. Farther, we sometimes hear a re-echo of an old complaint on the part of the shipowners that there is a "Shortage of Officers". Upon the sorry inducements offered to British boys to embark upon a sea-life and displace the aliens in the forecastles of merchant ships, I do not, at the moment, propose to dwell. Merely to point out the charms of the sea—even in its highest capacities—I beg to quote the following extracts from letters which I have received this morning, one from a capable and experienced Captain the other from a fully qualified Officer:—

(1) From a Captain :—"Kindly place me on your application list for a berth. I have been treated most shabbily and, like hundreds more, am disgusted with the unfair way in which we are treated. Kindly let me know what prospects (if any) there are, as I shall turn a railway labourer in Canada if I can hold out till the spring and not get a profitable job in the meantime."

(2) From an Officer :—"Kindly remove my name from your employment list. I got tired of going to various firms and being told that I was "too old" at thirty years, and this, in many cases, for a paltry wage. I have therefore, decided to abandon the profession and have accepted work that has been offered me in Western Australia, for whence I take passage early in January."

I say nothing disparaging myself, but your readers may be interested in the existing conditions of seafaring and those who contemplate sending their boys to sea, will remember the old adage that "to be forewarned is to be forearmed."—Yours, etc.,

J. W. MOORE, Secretary,
Imperial Service Merchant League.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DEC. 16.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Massilia s—35 bales wool, H K M Jaitha : 35 bales wool, Lukmidas Bhimjee ; 187 bales cotton, Ralli Bros ; 107 bales wool, M J Joomabhoy and Co ; 28 bales wool, M J Aba ; 92 bales wool, E D Sassoon and Co ; 23 bales wool, N Goculdas : 67 bales wool, W and A Graham and Co ; 16 bales wool, S Gumbhirchand.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Massilia s—42 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons ; 1,900 cwts rapeseed and 100 bales cotton, Ralli Bros ; 2 bales wool, K Esmail.

City of Benares s—201 cwts rapeseed, John Fachiri

FOR BARCELONA.

Massilia s—540 bales cotton, Volkart Bros,

City of Benares s—200 bales cotton, Madon Bhimji and Co.

FOR GLASGOW.

Massilia s—2,000 ghatty maize, Ralli Bros.

FOR NEW YORK.

Hidalgo s—307 bales cotton-waste, H Bhojnath and Co.

FOR HULL

Dorrinton Court s—1,000 cwts cottonseed, Volkart Bros; 40,000 cottonseed, Louis Dreyfus; 5,999 cwts cottonseed, Sanday and Co.

Hidalgo s—4,000 cwts cottonseed, T Mowraj; 2,040 cwts cottonseed, M Valabhdass ; 1,500 cwts castorseed, K Deochand and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Dorrington Court s—330 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR DUNKIRK

Feliciana s—2,000 tons manganese ore, Doogri ; 10,005 cwts poppyseed, E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Newbridge s—6,000 tons manganese ore, R A Willis.

FOR GARSTON.

Tinhow s—2,000 tons manganese ore, R A Willis.

FOR GENOA.

Appledore s—200 bales cotton, H Goculdas and Co; 100 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co; 2,000 cwts gingellyseed, Volkart Bros; 254 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR TRIESTE.

Moravia s—418 bales cotton, Moritz and Co; 1,000 cwts gingellyseed and 550 cotton, Volkart Bros; 3,000 cwts gingellyseed and 1,000 cwts rapeseed, John Fachiri; 3,001 cwts rapeseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 13,000 cwts gingellyseed, Louis Dreyfus and Co; 220 bales cotton, G Dossa and Co; 454 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 4,000 cwts rapeseed, A Blaschcck and Co.

FOR VENICE.

Moravia s—400 bales cotton, A Moritz and Co ; 300 bales cotton, Ralli Bros ; 100 bales cotton, G Dossa and Co.

FOR BREMEN.

Moravia s—6,000 cwts rapeseed, Volkart Bros; 3,000 cwt groundnuts and 9,000 cwts teelseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Delta s—300 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR OSAKA.

Delta s—200 bales cotton, H N Madraswalla and Co.

FOR KOBE.

Banca s—1,000 bales cotton, H Goculdas and Co.

Delta s—700 bales cotton, the Japan Cotton, Trading and Co; 100 bales cotton, H N Madraswalla and Co; 1,500 bales cotton, R D Master and Co; 100 bales cotton, Latham Abercrombie and Co; 200 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Delta s—161 chests of Malwa opium, Abraham A Abraham ; 100 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co ; 36 chests of Malwa opium, Joharmull Samirmull; 8 chests of Malwa opium, C Bomanji and Co ; 6 chests of Malwa opium Megraj ; 28 chests Malwa opium C Ebrahim and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Delta s—200 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co.

FOR MOJI.

Delta s—500 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, DEC. 16.

The disturbance in the extreme north is now a well-marked depression of the cold weather type.

A precipitation occurred at nearly all the hill-stations there and in Eastern Baluchistan, while a few falls occurred on the plains of north-west India. Depression is apparently travelling Eastwards. Dry weather prevails elsewhere.

The forecast—shows a nearly general precipitation in Kashmir and a few falls in the Punjab.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 16TH DECEMBER.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Friday, the 16th December, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Multan records 0·11" of rain and Rawalpindi 0·37". Skies are heavily clouded in the south-west and the north Punjab and moderately clouded elsewhere. Humidity is normal or in excess. Maximum temperature is in excess in the extreme north ; the minimum has further risen and is 11° F. higher than usual at Rawalpindi and Multan.

The United Provinces.—Skies are moderately clouded at Agra and clear elsewhere. The moisture in the air is either equal to or above the average. Temperature is nearly normal.

Sind and Rajputana.—Manora reports 0·10" of rain. Skies are clear in Sind and moderately clouded elsewhere. Humidity is normal or in defect. Maximum temperature is in defect at Jacobabad and in excess in Rajputana ; the minimum is higher than usual except at Kotah, the excess at Jacobabad amounting to 11° F.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. The moisture in the air is in excess in Cutch and on the Kathiawar Coast, and either equal to or below the average elsewhere. Day temperature is generally in excess; night temperature is also in excess in Cutch.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity and maximum temperature are normal; the minimum temperature is in slight defect in the south-eastern districts.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear in the north and lightly to moderately clouded in the south Konkan. The moisture in the air is in excess in Bombay and in defect elsewhere. Day temperature is normal night temperature is in defect except at Bombay.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in defect. Maximum temperature is normal ; the minimum is generally in defect.

General Remarks.—The depression is shown over north-west Rajputana and has been the cause of light rain in lower Sind, the south-west and north Punjab. Skies have cleared in Sind but are heavily clouded in the western half of the Punjab while moderate cloud has spread over the rest of the north-west India.

Local showers may occur in the Punjab and isolated showers in Rajputana.

H. A. ARMSTRONG,
Meteorologist Bombay,

Aqualate Hall near Newport Shropshire, occupied by Lady Bonghey and family was destroyed by fire on Nov. 26 before the arrival of the Newport Fire Brigade.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

EUROPE.

BIRTHS.

CLUTTON—Nov 26, at Lytton Lodge, Grayshott, Hindhead, the wife of Commander Ralph P Clutton, R N, of a son.

MEARES—Nov 24, at Harrow-on-the-Hill, the wife of Capt Aubrey Meares, D S O, R E, of a son.

PAKENHAM—Nov 24, at Broadlands, Princes Park, Liverpool, the wife of Capt Beresford Pakenham (the Border Regt) of a son.

STACK—Nov 25 at Arvance, Clifton, Bristol, the wife of Dr Hugh Stack, of a son.

JESSE—Nov 20, at Lingfield, South Farnborough, the wife of Capt J L Jesse, Army Service Corps, of a daughter.

SIMPSON—Nov 14, at Aberdeen the wife of Capt J C Simpson, 4th Rajputs, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

ALSTON—ELPHINSTONE—Nov 24, at Christ Church, Lecson Park, Dublin, John Gvenden Alston, son of the late Capt A H Alston, R N, to Amy Maynard, daughter of the late Col P A Elphinstone, Bombay Staff Corps.

BAIRD—CROFT—Nov 24, at St Mary's Parish Church, Ware, William Gardiner Baird, late 7th Dragoon Guards, son of Sir William and the Hon Lady Baird, to Violet Mary, daughter of Richard Benyon Croft.

BADY—KING—Nov 26, at the Church of Our Lady of Victories, Kensington, George John Eady to (May) Margaret Agnes Young King, daughter of the late Thomas Rasford King, M D.

GREEN—DAVIDSON—Nov 17, at St Paul's, Knightsbridge, Major H C R Green, King's Royal Rifles, to Elmslie Davidson, daughter of G W Davidson, Esq.

RAWLINS—COCKERELL—Nov 22, at All Saints', Norfolk Square, W, Capt Stuart William Hughes Rawlins, Royal Field Art, to Dorothy Pepys, daughter of the late John Rennie Cockerell, Madras Civil Service.

DEATHS.

BENTLEY—Nov 25, at Worle Vicarage, the Rev F W Bentley, M A Oxon.

FABER—Nov 27, at Warmsworth, Doncaster, the Rev Canon Arthur Henry Faber.

HORKINS—Nov 27, at Marchington Hall, Staffordshire, Herbert Frederick Northed Horkins, late captain Seaforth Highlanders, aged 50.

KIPLING—Nov 23, at The Gables, Tisbury, Wiltshire, Alice, wife of John Lockwood Kipling, C I E.

OLIVER—Nov 27, at 13 Collingham Gardens, the Hon. Richard Oliver.

WEBSTER—Nov 22, Capt William Webster, M V O, late of the Coldstream Guards, of 24 Dryburgh Road, Putney.

WOOD-ROBINSON—Nov 24, at 22 Castle Hill-Avenue, Folkestone, Commander Charles Wood Robinson, R N (retired).

INDIA.

BIRTHS.

BOND—December 10, at Simla, to Major and Mrs R E Bond, 4th (P. A. V.) Rajputs, a daughter.

GOUGH—December 12, at Sialkot, the wife of Captain W. G. K. Gough, 15th Sikhs, of a daughter.

SMYTH—December 9, at Rockcliff, Mussoorie, the wife of F. W. Smyth, of a daughter.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Nasik Conspiracy Trial, Bombay High Court, 11 a. m.

Bombay Races, Extra Meeting, Mahaluxmi.

Concert in Y. W. C. A. Hall, Wellington Lines, 9-15 p.m.

Entertainment to His Highness the Gaekwar, Pedder Road, 9-30 p.m.

Excelsior Cinematograph, at the Novelty Theatre, 7 to 8, 8-30 to 9-30 and 10 to 11 p.m. Special attraction this week. The Grand Itala Film "The Vestal."

Skating Rink, Practice Session, 8 to 9 a.m. ; Ladies' Session, 9 to 10 a.m., Evening Sessions, 6 to 8 p.m., 9-30 to 11 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

4th Sunday in Advent.

Maxim : "Business tests character."—F. Marion Crawford.

DEATH OF A JUDGE—We regret to announce the death of Mr. Mahomed Housain Hakim, a retired Judge of the Bombay Small Causes Court which sad event occurred at his residence in Matunga yesterday morning.

THE HARVEY BUST.—The ceremony of unveiling the Bust of the late Hon'ble Mr. W. L. Harvey, C. I. E., I. C. S., is to be performed by H. E. the Governor to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. (S. T.) (4-51 p.m. B. T.) at the Crawford Markets and the guests are requested to be in their seats by 5-20 p.m. the latest.

STRING BAND AT THE ESPLANDE BAND STAND.—By kind permission of Major H.P. Lane and Officers, the Band of the 98th Berar Infantry will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 3 p.m. this evening :—

March .....Myrella la Jolie.....Berniaux
Overture.....Die Irrfahrtum's Gluck .....Suppe
A Serenata.....Love in Idness .....Macbeth
B Spanish Dance.....An Evening in Toledo.....Schmeling
Selection .....Harry Dacre's Songs Adlam
Valse .....Recits d'Amour.....Waldteufel
A Gavotte.....The Chimes .....Hume
B An Indian Romance Hobomoko.....Reeves
Selection .....Dear Little Denmark Rubers

CONCERT AT YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—Under the auspices of the Young Women's Christian Association, a Concert will be given in the Y. W. C. A. Hall, Wellington Lines, this evening at 9-15 p.m. An attractive programme has been arranged and the following ladies and gentlemen are taking part. Miss Bonavia Hunt will give some pianoforte selections by Grieg, and "Tarantelle" by Nicode. Mrs. Giachetti on the Cello, will play Goddard's "Berceuse de Jocelyn". Mr. A. L. Rhenius will contribute a Cornet Solo. Miss Russell, whose powers of elocution are well-known, will recite twice. The vocal items will include songs by Miss Lang, the newly arrived American Contralto; Miss Hartie, Mr. E. Gellett and Mr. H. A. Dennis. This will be Miss Lang's last public appearance in Bombay as she will be leaving to take up Y.W.C.A work in Colombo after a few days. She has an exceptional voice with a quality and rarity of tone seldom heard in Bombay. Her songs will be "Still as the Night" (Bohm) and Tosti's "Good Bye." Those who have heard Miss Lang will not miss this opportunity of hearing her again.

MATHERAN AND THE HOLIDAYS.

THE Loco. Superintendent of the Matheran Steam Tramway writes to us :—

"To meet the rush of traffic up the Matheran hill during the Christmas vacation and other times, I have pleasure in stating that sanction has been obtained from the Senior Government Inspector to run up two engines on a train when necessary, so that one train will take the whole of the passengers and luggage up at one and the same time and this will, I feel sure, give satisfaction."

An old Velasquez picture has been discovered in a lumber room on the estate of the Prince of Parma, at Schwarzau, near Vienna. It is (says the "Daily Telegraph") supposed to be the picture of King Philip IV., represented as a rider which excited much admiration at the time. An English art dealer bought the picture from the Prince of Parma for £80,000 and it will be conveyed to England.

NOVELTIES IN JEWELLERY.

A Stone from Madagascar.

In anticipation of the Christmas season, Messrs. Marcks and Co., Limited have issued a handsomely compiled catalogue of their stock of jewellery, watches, clocks, silver-ware and other goods which enables the would-be purchaser to see at a glance the article he desires. In the catalogue every article is clearly reproduced, priced and numbered, so that the only work entailed is the client's choice of his present. To enumerate separately all the articles of jewellery presented to public inspection by Messrs Marcks would be a stupendous task, and even to classify the goods under their various headings is no light undertaking. Trinkets and mascots of every description figure in the catalogue. There are ladies' watches of artistic shapes, set with precious stones, bracelets, lockets, pendants, and brooches, while tie-pins, cuff-links and studs, cigarette-cases and watch-chains all of new and cleverly conceived designs—will form suitable presents for gentlemen. Smokers' appurtenances and card-cases in silver, spirit flasks, wine-labels and sovereign purses are other items of the stock suitable for gentlemen, while exquisitely embossed silver-mounted hair-brushes and hand-mirrors are suitable for presentation to either ladies or gentlemen. In fact, every article which it is possible to manufacture out of silver is to be seen at Messrs. Marcks's show-rooms.

Then one turns to the exhibits of jewellery, and so diverse are they, that it needs but little imagination to believe oneself suddenly translated with Ali Baba to the cave of the Forty Thieves. Diamonds, emeralds, pearls and rubies, beautifully set in rings, are to be seen in the show-cases, and there is also an interesting collection of coral jewellery. However, what impressed one as being the most interesting items on view, were the samples of the new "Plaque" jewellery and the Madagascar Aquamarine stones. As artistic taste in dress is one of the chief assets of the modern lady of fashion, she adapts the style and shade of her jewellery to suit the colour-scheme of her dress. Stones with old-fashioned settings, however beautiful they may be in the right place, would not harmonise with many costumes—that is, is in the opinion of modern aesthetic taste. The "Plaque" jewellery is not likely to be—as some people have suggested—a flash in the pan. The plaques are built up of platinum or gold and the workmanship is entirely done by hand and set with diamonds and pearls. These plaques are made with four enamelled discs of different colours, which can be detached or re-attached according to the colour of dress which the wearer desires to put on. A coloured plate, accompanying the catalogue, gives one an idea of the daintiness of the plaque jewellery. Platinum is preferable to gold, as it shows off the brilliance of the stones to better advantage. Then one comes to that beautiful stone, the Madagascar Aquamarine, in which are blended the colours of the peridot and the sapphire. This beautiful peridot well deserves the title of the "Evening Emerald" and should be much sought after by buyers of jewellery. We congratulate Messrs. Marcks on their Christmas display of beautiful wares and upon their lucidly, compiled catalogue, which so well illustrates the variety and quality of their stock.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS.

BY MAJOR H. E. E. PROCTER, A.D.C., COMMANDING.

Bombay, 17th December.

1. Orderly N-C Officer for the week.—Corpl F C Annesley, next for duty Corpl H F Lodge.

2. The Range at Santa Cruz will be available for Class Firing this Saturday afternoon the 17th instant.

Train leaves Church Gate Station 2-55 p.m.

3. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday next, Riding School for all members at 7-15 a.m.

Dress—Mufti.

4. The following members having joined are taken on the strength and posted as follows :—Mr William Taylor Conley to "H" Troop, Messrs James Smith, Archibald Scott McKendrick, John Lambert Thomson, and Hugh Mainwaring to "C" Troop.

5. Troopers R Lunan and A H Baxter are transferred from "D" to "C" Troop.

Troopers H Flury and V F Gay from "C" to "B" Troop.

6. The Commanding Officer is pleased to make the following promotions and appointments :—

Sergt A D Shanks to be Sergt-Major.

Lce-Corpls A H Byrt, F C Annesley, H F Lodge to be Corporals.

Trooper A D Ash to be Lance Corporal and posted to "A" Troop.

Trooper Harry Tremeame to be Lce-Corporal and posted to "C" Troop.

Trooper C W Elmsworth to be Lance Corporal and posted to "B" Troop.

P. W. WILSON, Lieut.,
Actg.-Adjt. B. L. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT. COLONEL A. K. LESLIE V.D. COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 17th December.

249. Parade.—Saturday the 17th December.

Nos 1 and 2 Companies—D R F, Dial numbers, Layers and Setters. Parade at Apollo Bunder at 4-45 p.m. and proceed to Oyster Rock for Instructions. Under the Instructor in Gunnery Bombay Defences.

Dress—Khaki and Forage Caps.

Sunday 18th instant.—Nos 1 and 2 Companies will parade at Apollo Bunder at 9-45 a.m. and proceed to Oyster Rock for 6 Pounder Q F Elementary practice.

Dress—Khaki and Helmets.

Light refreshments will be provided on Conclusion of practice.

252. Musketry—The British Infantry Rifle Range at Colaba will be available for Class to the E E Company on Sunday next 18th instant.

Firing to commence at 9 a.m.

Dress—Plain Clothes.

253. Regimental Committee Meeting.—There will be a Regimental Committee meeting at the S. V. A. Club on Thursday 22nd instant at 7 p.m. sharp.

254. Office Closing of.—The B. V. A. Head-Quarter Office will be closed from 24th December 1910 to 3rd January 1911 both days inclusive on account of Christmas holidays.

255. Parades.—There will be no parades for Nos. 1 and 2 Companies on Saturdays 24th and 31st December.

256. Resignation.—Sergt. G. H. Bailey No. 2 Company having resigned is struck off the strength of the Corps.

257. Promotion.—The following promotions are ordered in the E. E. Company, Sappers T. Robiou and Sapper J. Partridge to be 2nd Corporals to fill existing vacancies.

E. P. CUDLIP, Lieut., R. A.,
Adjutant, B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COL. R. W. L. DUNLOP, V.D.

Bombay, 17th December.

1174. Detail for the week ending 24th instant.

Monday the 19th instant "G" Coy. Recruits Parade at 7-30 a.m. on the Maidan.

II. All Recruits of the current season and Proficiency candidates will parade on the Oval at 6-30 p.m.

Tuesday the 20th instant.—Bugle practice on the Maidan at 8-30 p.m.

Wednesday the 21st instant.—Commanding Officers Parade. Fall in at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 6 p.m. Dress. Drill order, Uniform with caps. Subject.—Picquet duty on roads in Fort. Field Service Regulations Part I, Operations, Sections 75-89.

Thursday the 22nd instant.—The Signalling Class will parade at 7 a.m. at Sir Richard Temple's Statue.

II.—Proficiency Class will be held at Head-Quarters at 6-30 p.m.

Friday the 23rd instant.—"E." Coy. Parade at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 9-15 p.m.

Dress.—Drill Order Mufti.

1175. Musketry—Rifle Club.—The Miniature Range at Head-Quarters will be open for Matches 3 and 4 and practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7-30 p.m. and Saturdays from 3 to 5-30 p.m.

II. Classification Range.—The Ranges at Ghat Kopar are allotted to the Rifle Club matches 5 to 8 as under :—

To-day Saturday afternoon the 17th instant—By train leaving Victoria Terminus at 1-50 p.m.

Sunday 18th and Tuesday 27th instant—By train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6 a.m.

I.V.B.A. Matches may be fired on any of the above days.

III. Monday 19th instant.—2nd Stage Viceroy's competition will be fired at Ghat Kopar Range. Train leaving Victoria Terminus at 6 a.m.

1172. It is notified for information that Bayonets should be taken to the Range by members who are firing the Annual Course of Musketry.

1177 Musketry.—The Range at Ghat Kopar are available for Class firing for adults as under :—

Wednesday 21st and Friday 23rd instant, Parts I and II and Saturday 24th instant, Standard Test. By train leaving Victoria Terminus at 6 a.m.

A. L. CARTWRIGHT, Capt.,
Adjt. B. V. B.

BOMBAY HIGH COURT.

NASIK CONSPIRACY CASE.

THE hearing of the Nasik Conspiracy Case was resumed on Friday at the Bombay High Court before the Special Tribunal consisting of the Hon'ble Sir Basil Scott, Chief Justice, the Hon'ble Sir Narayen G. Chandavarkar and the Hon'ble Mr. J. J. Heaton.

Mr. Rangnekar continuing his address said that one of the pistols in the case had passed from hand to hand, but it was a dangerous inference to draw that all through whose hands the pistol had passed were members of a conspiracy. Deshpande was originally charged with the possession of the pistol and he was convicted under the Arms Act. Deshpande was related to Inspector Deshpande and Dev Mamlatdar and it was clear that his evidence was not so honest as it was tried to be made out by the prosecution. Gore's visit to the factory was satisfactorily explained and the only evidence against him was that he held strong political views and the passing of the pistol from his hand. With regard to his speeches and the singing of the song there was nothing in them to show that he was guilty of any conspiracy. In reference to the case of Maraka the learned counsel said that there was nothing in the evidence or in the confession of Patankar to show that he was in any way connected with the conspiracy. He was not a member of any secret society nor was any oath administered to him. The only evidence against him was that he was in possession of a pistol brought by Chaturbhuj from England. If that evidence was to be believed the accused could only be charged under the Arms Act. Mr. Rangnekar then proceeded to deal with Kashikar's case and in conclusion complimented the Hon'ble the Advocate-General for the fair manner in which he had conducted the case and thanked their lordships for the patient hearing given to them.

Mr. Gadgil, in addressing the Court, said that he represented eight of the accused, but he would address the Court in regard to seven of them. He would take up the Nasik group first, in which the accused Gaadhani, Kathe, Mandher and Ambekar were concerned, and then the Bombay group, consisting of the accused Bhut, Thathe and Nagpurkar. Dealing with the case of Gaadhani, the learned counsel said that the case against him was that a small pistol was found in his possession and that he visited the factory where picric acid was prepared. Counsel said Vinayek Deshpande, one of the accused in the last murder case, had given a bundle to the accused, but the accused did not know that the bundle contained the pistol.

The case was then adjourned till Saturday.

PARSI PANCHAYET FUNDS.

Rights of Donors.

On the Original Side of the Bombay High Court, yesterday, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dinshaw Davar delivered judgment in Chambers on the petition of the Trustees of the Parsi Panchayet of Bombay for the construction of several clauses of the scheme framed for the election of the Trustees.

The facts of this petition have already been reported. His Lordship, in delivering his judgment, said that the main question argued before him was whether parties who had subscribed Rs. 5,000 and upwards to the funds collected for the Bomonji Petit Parsi General Hospital were entitled to rank as "donors of the Anjuman Committee" and, as such, entitled under the provisions of clause 65 of the scheme to have his or her name entered on the Register "F." Mr. Craigie, who had appeared for the Trustees, had candidly told his Lordship that the question was not free from doubt and the Trustees were advised to take the directions of the Judge in Chamber.

His Lordship confessed that his first impression—before he had heard the learned solicitor and counsel—was that the hospital like many other Parsi charities, was an independent institution governed by a body of men quite independent of the Trustees and could not be said to form a part of the fund and properties of the Parsi Panchayet of Bombay; that the Trustees merely held the funds for conveniences until the scheme for the hospital was perfected and that thereafter they would have nothing to do with it. Under these impressions, it appeared to his Lordship at the first flush that the trustees were right in rejecting the claim of the applicants.

His Lordship's first impressions had, however, proved wholly erroneous. The materials placed before the Court by the learned Solicitor for the Trustees and the learned Counsel for the applicants left no doubt in his Lordship's mind as to what his decision should be on the question.

After recalling shortly the circumstances under which the hospital had come into existence, his Lordship said that the scheme for establishing the hospital received its crowning impetus in the beginning of 1906 when Mr. Bomanji Petit made a munificent gift of his most valuable property at Cumballa Hill to the proposed hospital. By an indenture dated 12th April, 1906, Mr. Bomanji conveyed and transferred to the Trustees the whole of this property which was valued for the purposes of stamp duty at five lakhs of rupees, a valuation which in his Lordship's opinion was extremely modest. This conveyance had a most important bearing on the question before his Lordship and had influenced his Lordship's decision to a very considerable extent. A glance at the provisions of that indenture could leave no doubt whatever on any mind that this property was at all events most unquestionably "given" to the Trustees in whom the property was absolutely vested and the legal estate was in them and would always remain in them. In the indenture the widest possible powers were given to the Trustees to deal with this property in any manner which in their discretion might seem most beneficial to the objects of the donor's charity.

It appeared to his Lordship that there would not possibly be a doubt that those members of the Parsi community who had subscribed towards the Funds of the hospital or made over properties in furtherance of the scheme for erecting and establishing the hospital had undoubtedly "given" their moneys or their properties to the Trustees within the meaning of the clauses of the scheme.

His Lordship accordingly held that parties who had subscribed Rs. 5,000 and more towards the fund of the hospital were entitled to be called "Donors of the Anjuman Committee" and were further entitled to have their names entered in Register "F."

It followed from this, continued his Lordship that those who had subscribed Rs. 500 or upward, but less than Rs. 5,000 were entitled to have their names entered in Register "A." His Lordship understood that Register "A" had been closed, and the election in respect of that register had already taken place. His Lordship directed that what had taken place should not now be disturbed, but that in future the Trustees would give effect to his Lordship's findings in respect of that register. The same considerations applied, his Lordship thought, to persons who had made donations to the Fund of the Society for the promotion of Zoroastrian Religious Education and Knowledge and to the Funds of the society for making researches in the Zoroastrian religion and the donors to these funds were also entitled to be put on Register "A" or "F," as the case might be. The funds of certain of the Mofasil Anjumans stood on an entirely different footing. In the case of these funds, the Trustees were bare custodians, and the donors were not in his Lordship's opinion entitled to claim a voice in the election of Trustees.

In this petition, his Lordship went on to say, the Trustees raised a question as to the construction of clauses 37 and 39 of the scheme. Some one had been suggesting that because there had been some delay in preparing some of the lists directed to be prepared under the scheme the whole election might be vitiated. His Lordship did not think the delay was a matter of any consequence. The limit of time was introduced more as a matter of procedure and was not by any means a matter of essential importance. The scheme was new and the Trustees had, in his Lordship's opinion, shown great diligence and efficiency in carrying out the duties imposed upon them by the scheme.

It must be remembered his Lordship observed, that the Trustees were not paid servants of the Community but were leading members thereof who had their own affairs to attend to, and in doing this work they were conferring an obligation on the community and it was not open to members of the community to harass them by constantly finding fault with their work. The delay appeared to have been unavoidable, and his Lordship hereby excused all such delay as had hitherto occurred and declared that nothing hitherto done or hereafter to be done should be prejudicially affected by reason of such delay.

The question respecting the rights of the donors was one of considerable importance, and as the two parties to whom his Lordship gave permission to appear were vitally interested in the decision of that question their costs were ordered to be paid out of the Trust Funds. The costs of the Trustees', taxed between attorney and client, would also come out of the Trust Funds. Counsel certified.

A POISONING CASE.

Itinerant Quack Doctor Sentenced.

On the Appellate Side of the Bombay High Court, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Batchelor and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rao disposed of the appeal of Imamkhan Hasseinkhan who was convicted of murder by Mr. W. T. W. Baker, Additional Sessions Judge of Dharwar, and sentenced to death.

Mr. V. V. Bhadgaomkar appeared for the accused; the Government Pleader was for the Crown.

It appeared that one San-Basanna, a boy of about 15, had been adopted by Puradappa, brother of the deceased husband of one Fakirawa Guiappa, who was the second accused before the Sessions Judge. Ningappa, the third accused in the case, contested the adoption by which he lost the property of Puradappa. There was litigation between him and the adopted son, both Puradappa and his wife being dead. The district Court finally in appeal decided that the adoption was valid, and Rakhappa, the next friend of the minor, took possession of the property in July last. The third accused and his mother, the second accused, then decided to get rid of the boy, and for this purpose they employed the first accused, an itinerant quick doctor, to poison him. On the 25th August last, the first accused came to the house of the deceased boy and offered him some sugar to eat. The boy ate it and died four hours afterwards with symptoms

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Chancery of the Orders, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell.

London, December 1.

The king has been graciously pleased to sanction the following promotions in and appointments to the Order of the Hospital of St John of Jeruslam in England:—

as Knights of Justice (from Knights of Grace) **Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Richard Carnac Temple, Bt, C I E Sir Alfred Scott Scott-Gatty, C V O** (Garter King of Arms).

as Knights of Grace:—Herbert Edward Gregory, Esq., (from Esq.,) David Don, Esq (from Honorary Associate, Sylvanus Glanville Morris, Esq M D William Molson MacPherson Esq.

His Excellency Sir Henry Macleod Leslie Rundle K C B K C M G D S O, The Right Honourable Viscount Esher, G C B G C V O Tonman Mosley, Esq Herbert Lewis, Esq. His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord Hardings of Penshurst, G C B G C S I G C I E G C V O.

as Lady of Grace:—Miss Annie Evelyn Pelly.

Admiralty, 29th November.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Chief Bandmaster (W O) Henry Ernest Lidiard to be **Quartermaster**, with the honorary rank of **Lieutenant**, for duty at the Royal Naval School of **Music.** Dated 13th October.

Admiralty, 30th November.

In accordance with the provisions of His late Majesty's Orders in Council of the 18th December, 1903, and the 18th October, 1909—Commander Arthur George Kennedy Hill has this day been placed on the Retired List, at his own request, with permission to assume the rank of Captain.

In accordance with the provisions of Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—Lieutenant John Francis Blackman has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 23rd November.

In accordance with the provisions of Order in Council of 29th June, 1895—Lieutenant Julius Albert Lane has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander Dated 24th November

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Sir Richard Henry Williams-Bulkeley, Bart., to be Commander, in command of the Mersey Division. Dated 29th November.

Admiralty, 1st December.

In accordance with the provisions of Order in Council of the 22nd February 1870—

The Reverend Richard David Lewis has this day been placed on the Retired List at his own request.

War Office, Whitehall, 2nd December.

The King has been graciously pleased to confer upon the Norfolk Regiment the honour of becoming its Colonel in Chief.

War Office 2nd December.

Regular Forces.

Commands and Staff.

Major-General Colin J Mackenzie, CB, to be a Major-General, General Staff, while employed as Chief of the General Staff and First Military Member of the Militia Council of Dominion of Canada. Dated 1st November.

The appointment of Major Alfred L Law, the Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regiment) as an Assistant Director of Army Signals is antedated to 1st April.

Cavalry.

Royal Horse Guards, Second Lieutenant (on probation) **Algernon Corbet Turnor** to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 2nd December.

7th (Princess Royal's) Dragoon Guards, Captain **John E D Holland** is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Yeomanry. Dated 9th November.

12th Prince of Wale's Royal Lancers, Lieutenant **Basil G Nicholas** is seconded for service on the Staff Dated 15th October,.

21st Empress of India's Lancers, Captain **Carfrae H Delmage** is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Yeomanry. Dated 1st November,

Second Lieutenant on probation John Herbert Butler Hollings to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 26th November,

Remount Establishment.

Major Henry M Ferrar retired pay, from a Deputy Assistant Director, to be an Inspector of Remounts vice Brevet-Colonel B L Tollner C B retired pay whose tenure of that appointment has expired. Dated 25th November,

Royal Regiment of Artillery.

Royal Horse and Royal Field Artillery, Major **Halford C V Harrison** is placed on retired pay. Dated 3rd December.

Captain Douglas Stewart is seconded for service on the Staff Dated 7th November.

The undermentioned supernumerary Captains are restored to the establishment:—George W S Morris, vice J M R Harrison. Dated 6th November, Esmond W Brone, vice C R Woodroffe. Dated 7th November.

The undermentioned Lieutenants to be Captain:—**James Carruthers**, vice A D Musgrave, promoted. Dated 14th November, John W Parrington, vice H R Phipps, promoted. Date 14th November, Lieutenant Philip S Rostron resigns his Commission, Dated 3rd December, Lieutenant Henry J A Evans is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Territorial Artillery. Dated 14th November.

The undermentioned Captains to be Adjutants:—**Charles R Woodroffe**, vice Brevet-Major H R Peck, seconded. Dated 31st October James M R Harrison vice G W SMorris. Dated 6th November. Lieutenant William T. Chambers to be Adjutant, vice Captain D. Stewart. Dated 7th November.

"Royal Garrison Artillery," Major **Hubert de L Walters** retires on Retired Pay. Dated 3rd December.

Supernumerary Major Robert A Craig is restored to the establishment, vice A M Cayley, deceased. Dated 30th November.

Hugh St G Hamersley, vice A C R Greene. Dated 10th November. Supernumerary Lieutenant **Alexander I Drysdale** is restored to the establishment, vice W G Lindsell, seconded. Dated 1st December.

Hong Kong-Singapore Battalion, Jemadar Mohamad Din to be Subadar, vice Pir Bux, retired. Dated 12th October,

Havildar-Major Bagh Ali to be Jemadar, vice **Mohamad Din.** Dated 12th October,

Corps of Royal Engineers.

Major and Brevet-Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Matthew Nathan, G C M G employed under the General Post Office, is placed on the Reserve List under the provisions of Article 86 of the Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion, 1909. Dated 28th November,

Foot Guards.

Coldstream Guards, the undermentioned Lieutenants to be Captains: The Honourable Maurice V B Brett, M V O vice A G Tritton, seconded. Dated 31st November.

Captain Alleyn C R Gresne is seconded for service with the Indian Mountain Artillery. Dated 10th November.

The undermentioned supernumerary Captains are restored to the establishment:—

Thomas M Wakefield, vice C L R Gray, promoted. Dated 5th November, Henry R A Adeane, vice the Honourable M V B Brett, M V O, seconded for service on the Staff. Dated 31st October Stephen J Burton, in succession to Major the Honourable G A C Crichton, whonolds an appointment in the Royal Household. Dated 1st November, Jocelyn S Egerton, vice S J Burton, seconded for service with the Egyptian Army. Dated 1st November, Guy M Darell, vice J S Egerton, seconded for Colonial Military Employment. Dated 1st November, Edward B G Greggemore, vice G M Darell, seconded for service on the Staff. Dated 1st November, Second Lieutenant, Allan W G Campbell to be Lieutenant, vice H R A Adeane. Dated 31st October, Lieutenant Rudolph E A Viscount Feilding resigns his Commission Dated 3rd Decemher.

INFANTRY.

The Norfolk Regiment, Lieutenant William J O'B Daunt to be Adjutant vice Captain S J P Scobell. Dated 28 November

The Suffolk Regiment, Second Lieutenant Francis W W F Attree to be Lieutenant, vice N A Bittleston, promoted. 22nd October.

"Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own (Yorkshire Regiment)," Supernumerary Second Lieutenant Charles B Hackett is restored to the establishment, vice H A Lilley, promoted. Dated 9th November.

The Lancashire Fusiliers, Gentleman Cadet James Wrigley Evatt, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 3rd Decsmber.

The Royal Scots Fusiliers, Captain and Brevet-Major Francis E Buchanan is seconded for service on the Staff. Dated 1st October.

The King's Own Scottish Borderers, Lieutenant-Colonel George de W Verner, on completion of his period of service in command of a battalion, is placed on the Half-pay List. Dated 3rd December.

Major Cecil M Stephenson to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice G de W Verner. Dated 3rd December.

The Gloucestershire Regiment, Captain Robert M M Davy retires on retired pay. Dated 3rd December.

Supernumerary Captain Robert E Rising is restored to the establishment, vice R M M Davy. Dated 3rd December.

The Worcestershire Regiment, Lieutenant Charles S Linton to be Adjutant, vice G C Deane. Dated 23rd November,

The Royal Sussex Regiment, Captain and Brevet-Major Robert J A Terry is seconded for service on the Staff. Dated 8th November.

The Hampshire Regiment, Lieutenant John M Prower resigns his Commission. Dated 3rd December.

The King's Royal Rifle Corps, Lieutenant Guy M Atkinson to be adjutant, vice Captain A F C Maclachlan, D S O. Dated 1st December.

The York and Lancaster Regiment, Lieutenant Vivian A Jackson to be Adjutant, vice V A Gilliam. Dated 1st December.

Princess Louise's (Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders,) Captain Duncan J Glasfurd is seconded for service on the Staff, Dated 14th November.

The Army Service Corps.

Quartermaster and Honorary Captain Thomas Rooks retires on Retired Pay. Dated 3rd December.

First Class Staff Sergeant Major Frederick Ernest Williams to be Quartermaster, with the honorary rank of Lieutenant, vice Honorary Captain T Rooks. Dated 3rd December.

Army Medical Service.

Royal Army Medical Corps, the undermentioned officers, from the Seconded List, are restored to the establishment. Dated 18th November, Captain William M B Sparkes, and Lieutenant Harold T Treves.

Army Veterinary Service.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles E Nuthall, from Army Veterinary Corps, to be Colonel, vice Kay Lees, retired. Dated 4th June.

Army Chaplains' Department.

The undermentioned Chaplains to the Forces, 2nd Class, to be Chaplains to the Forces, 1st Class:—The Reverend Edward H Pulling. Dated 27th November. The Reverend Richard J D Oliver, MA. Dated 29th November. The Reverend Arthur V C Hordern. Dated 29th November. The Reverend William S Jaffray. Dated 29th November. The Reverend James G W Tuckey, MA. Dated 29th November. The Reverend Jacob Blackbourne, BA. Dated 29th November. The Reverend Maurice Johnes, BA, BD. Dated 1st December.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.

The undermentioned Staff Nurses to be Sisters:—Miss Mabel Davis, vice Miss M Mark, promoted. Dated 20th October.

Miss Ethel K Kaberry, vice Miss I G Willetts, promoted. Dated 1st November.

The undermentioned Ladies to be Staff Nurses provisionally:—Miss Mary Jackson. Dated 1st November, Miss Edith Florence Roberts. Dated 15th November. Miss Isabella McMillan Beaton. Dated 17th November.

Army Ordnance Department.

Captain Basil A Hill, Royal Marine Artillery, Ordnance Officer, 4th Class, to be Adjutant, Army Ordnance Corps, vice Captain C T Fisher, whose tenure has expired. Dated 1st December.

Memorands.

Colonel Geoffrey Stanley, C B, is placed on retired pay. Dated 2nd December.

Colonel Basil St J Le Marchant, Halfpay List, retires on retired pay. Dated 3rd December.

Colonel Robert D Longe, on completion of his period of service on the Staff, is placed on the Half-pay List. Dated 1st September.

Colonel Edward J Granet, on vacating his appointment as Assistant Director of Remounts at the War Office, is placed on the Half-pay List. Dated 17th November.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet-Colonel. The Honourable Claude H C Willoughby. Half-pay List retires on retired pay. Dated 3rd December.

The undermentioned Quartermasters and Honorary Lieutenants, the Army Service Corps, are granted the honorary rank of Captain. Dated 29th November, Thomas Rooks. George Harlow. William Thomas Sinfield. The Army Service Corps, is granted the honorary rank of Captain. Dated 29th November.

The undermentioned Officers of the Citizen Forces of Australia are granted local rank in the army while serving with troops of the Regular or Indian Army, with effect from the 27th September and to have seniority as from the dates of their rank in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth as stated against their names: Captain Charles William Henry Coulter, 3rd Australian Infantry Regiment. Dated 9th October, Captain John Hutton Bisdee, V C 12th Australian Light Horse Regiment. Dated 14th March Lieutenant Reginald Arthur Neville Plant, 13th Australian Light Horse Regiment. Dated 9th January, Lieutenant Erle Finlayson Denton Fethers, Victorian Scottish Regiment. Dated 11th October.

SERVICES AT HOME.

INDIA OFFICE.—December 2.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN LONDON.

Lieut-Col J Ramsay, C I E I A, B
Lieut-Col R C MacWatt, I M S, B
Lieut-Col A McConaghey, I A, B
Lieut-Col D E Phillott, I A B
Capt J C S Oxley, I M S, B
Mr F M Lace, B Cov
Mr T D Fry, B Cov
Babu S C Bose, B
Mr M E Watts, B
Rev H W F Fagan, B
Mr D R S Bourke, Bo
Mr J E McDougall, Bo
Col A W S Wiogate, I A
Col J E Dickie, R E
Lieut-Col J H Pollard, 36 Jacob's H
Lieut-Col H T H Hay, 108 Inf
Major H W E Colquhoun, 33 W L I
Major W W G Griffith, 32 Lrs
Major A B Longden, 37 Dogras
Major J H Whitehead, 93 B Inf
Major P B Forster, 52 Sikhs
Major F F Badcock, D S O, 1-4 G R
Major G B M Sarel, 4 Lrs
Capt B H Bignell, 1-9 G R
Capt A G Lind, 68 Rifles
Capt L S Fenton, 113 Inf.
Capt H S K Snowdon, R A
Capt L P Stephen, I M S
Capt R H S Whitchurch, I A
Capt R S Kennedy, I M S
Capt J G Simpson, 4 Raj
Lieut G Allen, 32 Lrs
Lieut D M Evans, 55 Coke's R
Lieut C E Morris, Q O Guides
Lieut G Nottidge, R E
Lieut J C Pringle, R E
Lieut G H Chapman, 53 Sikhs
Lieut E S Woodward, 97 Inf
Lieut H R Hadow, 15 Sikhs
Nursing Sisters Q A M N S
Miss G E Fardell
Miss C L Cusins
Miss M Stephenson
Miss M E Harvey

EXTENSIONS OF LEAVE.

Lieut-Col J Chaytor-White, I M S, B, 6 mo M C
Major P Dee, I M S, B, 2 mo M C
Mr J J Barniville, B Cov, 8 mo
Mr H E G Penny, B, 3 mo M C
Mr R S Hole, B, 2 mo
Mr C H Vere, B, 1 mo
Capt M J Qairke, 1 M S, M, 5 days
Mr C V Dalrymple-Hay, M, 7 weeks
Ven L E Cox, M, 6 weeks
Mr J Nissim, Bo Cor, 3 mo M C
Mr R E Enthoven, Bo, 44 days
Mr J V Cooke, Bo, 4 mo 8 days on M C
Major E R P Boileau, 2 G R, 6 mo M C
Lieut P T Etherton, 1-39 Garh, R, 14 days
Lieut W H Paddey, 36 Sikhs, 8 mo M C

PERMITTED TO RETURN.

Mr A E Hewlett, B
Mr O W G G Hindley, B
Mr F M Howlett, B
Mr W A K Christie, B
Mr U A Spence, Bo

IN LIGHTER VEIN.

WHEN GOING TO BED.

A little slum child, on a fresh-air fund holiday, was enjoying his first glimpse of pastoral life. He sat on a little stool watching the cook plucking a chicken. After looking for some time he said.

"Do yer take off their clothes ev'ry night, fidy?"

A CRUSHING REPLY.

A fashionably-dressed lady met a little bare-legged urchin, carrying a bird's nest with eggs in it.

"You are a wicked boy!" said the lady. "How could you rob the nest? No doubt the poor mother is now grieving for the loss of her eggs."

"Oh, she don't care," said the boy, edging away; "she's on your hat!"

SHE SCORED.

"He's not what you call strictly handsome," said the major, beaming through his eyeglasses on an utterly hideous baby, as he lay howling in his mother's arms; "but it's the kind of face that grows on you."

"It's not the kind of face that ever grew on you," was the indignant and unexpected reply of the maternal being; "you'd be better-looking if it had!"

SOMETHING NEW.

The manager of a laundry had advertised for a man. The advertisement read:—"Wanted, a man to drive laundry cart and solicit."

Early next morning a young fellow appeared as an applicant for the post.

"Sure you'll do?" asked the manager.

"I dunno, sir. I've drove a cart, but I never drove one o' them other things."

"What other things?"

"Well, I've never handled a solicit."

COLD AND DRAUGHTY.

A fussy old gentleman enters a railway carriage and, without consulting any of the other passengers, at once lets down both windows.

Fussy Old Gentleman (looking round complacently)—"A cold morning this, but I must say I like air!"

Fellow Passenger (gruffly)—"It seems to me, sir, that under the circumstances, it might probably suit you better, and would certainly be more comfortable for us, if you would get out and sit on the roof!"

MAKING GOOD PROGRESS.

They were skating.

"George," she asked, as they rounded the bend, "is your watch correct?"

"Yes," replied George, with a merry laugh: "it is keeping better time since I put your picture inside the case."

"Oh, you flatterer! How could that be?"

"Well, you see, when I placed your picture inside the case I added another jewell!"

And the wise old moon man winked.

GIVING THE SHOW AWAY.

At a Lancaster school the teacher had been giving an object lesson to the class on "the knife and its manufacture," and he had told them that every good knife-blade had a name stamped on, which showed who had made it, and was sometimes a test of its quality. He urged them to note the names on their knives at home.

Next morning he asked each in turn for the maker's name, and among the long list one bright youngster answered, "Midland Hotel, sir!"

HIS HOBBY.

A gentleman formerly attached to the American Embassy at London tells how an old country sexton in a certain English town, in showing visitors round the churchyard, used to stop at one tombstone and say—

"Tais' ere is the tomb of 'Enry 'Ooper, 'an is eleven wolves."

"Eleven! exclaimed a tourist on one occasion. "Dear me! That's rather a lot isn't it?"

Whereupon the sexton looking gravely at his questioner replied,

"Well, mum, yer see, it war on'obby of 'is'n."

SUCH A CHANGE.

Railway travellers who like to "keep themselves to themselves" will appreciate this story. A passenger by train wanted to read, but a man opposite would persist in trying to talk.

After several brief replies the reader became irritated.

"The grass is very green, isn't it?" said the would-be conversationalist pleasantly.

"Yes," was the answer; "such a change from the blue and red grass we've been having lately."

Silence reigned supreme, and the reader began another chapter.

REASSURING.

A timid old lady was on board a steamer in the Gulf of Florida. She worried one of the sailors to such an extent with questions as to the vessel's safety that he resorted to strategy to silence her.

"I'm awfully nervous on the water," she remarked for the fiftieth time that afternoon. "Are you quite sure, my man, that people are never drowned in this bay?"

"Indeed I am, mum," was the reply. "The sharks never let anybody drown hereabouts."

AWFUL DISCLOSURES.

A gentleman opened a letter addressed to his son, containing suggestions from a friend for a novel which the young man was privately writing.

The father was exceedingly surprised and frightened upon reading the following dreadful words:—

"Dear Bob—You really must show more caution in constructing your plots or the governor will be sure to discover the dead body of Geraldine in the cellar, and then your secret will be out. You consulted me about the strychnine. I certainly think you are giving it him in rather large doses. Let Emily put her mother in a madhouse. It will answer your purpose well to have the old girl out of the way. I think your forgery is far too small a sum. Make it three thousand. Leave the rest of your particularly nice family circle to me. I will finish them off and send you back the 'Fatal Dagger' afterwards by book post.—Yours Jack."

WHERE HE HAD BEEN.

A gentleman had an Irish head gardener, who never thought of having a holiday or missing a day from work, and so somewhat surprised his employer by asking him if he could have "nixt Friday off."

His request was immediately granted, but on the Saturday he did not turn up, and a week went past, and then a fortnight, and still no sign of Mike. The gentlemen reluctantly employed another man in Mike's place.

About three months afterwards he was surprised on going into the grounds to find Mike at work just as if nothing had happened.

"Where have you been to Michael?" he asked.

"Well, sorr, it's loike this. You remimber the day you let me off? I had to appear at the coort as a witness. When I gets there I sees the ould gint with the wig on 'is 'ead and 'is pees on the tip of 'is nose.

"'Michael?' Dooley sez'e.

"'Yes, sorr,' sez I,

"'Go into that box' sez 'e.

"'Right, sorr' sez I,

"'Swear" sez' e.

"'I did as 'e told me, though I doan't use bad language as a rule.

"'Three months for contimpt of coort,' sez'e.

"'And they've only just let me out sorr."

WHAT HE SHOULD HAVE ASKED.

Lewis and Abraham, two clothing dealers, were bitter rivals. Whenever Lewis advertised a suit of clothes at £2. Abraham promptly cut the price to 35. If Lewis offered braces at eighteenpence a pair, Abraham sold them for a shilling.

Lewis finally became so exasperated over the increasing loss of profits resulting from Abraham's tactics, that he devoted most of his waking hours to the devising of schemes to get even with his rival.

One night Moses, the Hebrew prophet, appeared to him in a dream, and said:—

"Lewis, you are a good citizen, and run a good clothing store. You are charitable and attend the services at the synagogue regularly. Now, as a reward, I am going to give you anything for which you may ask; but I warn you that, whatever it is I shall be obliged to give double to Abraham, because he is more charitable than you; and, besides, he supports his old father and mother."

Lewis was trying to figure out what he could ask for and not confer a double benefit on Abraham, when he awoke. He told his dream to his wife, who, after wrinkling her brow in deep thought, exclaimed.

"I haf an ides. Vy didn't you ask der prophet to make you blind in one eye, and so get even mit Abraham?"

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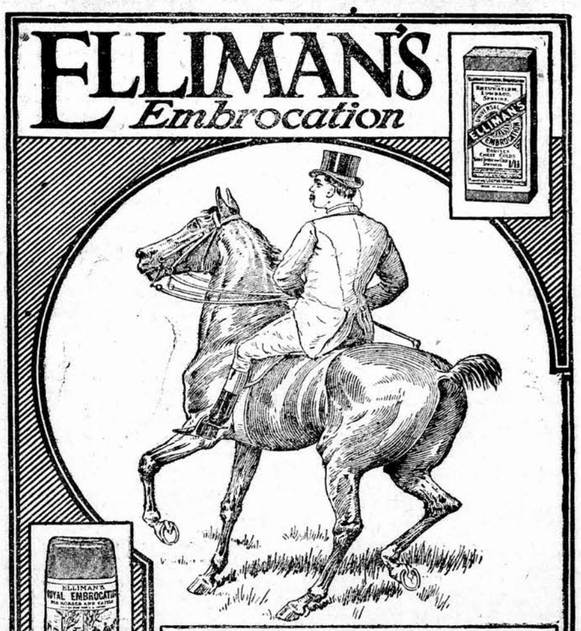

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Interest in Nursing Association.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

Sir Edward Baker has offered a grant of fifteen hundred rupees to the Dufferin Hospital, Calcutta, to mark the occasion of Lady Hardinge's first visit on December 7th to that Institution. Her Excellency will apply the money to the most urgent needs of the Hospital after consulting the Hospital Committee.

Her Excellency Lady Hardinge visited the Presidency General Hospital, this morning, accompanied by Lady Haig and Major O'Kinealy, I. M. S. Her Excellency was received at the Hospital by His Honour Sir Edward Baker, Col. Harris, I.M.S., Lieut. Col. Pilgrim, I.M.S., Surgeon Superintendent, and Hospital staff by whom Lady Hardinge was conducted over the Institution. The visit lasted about an hour and a half and Her Excellency expressed herself as being much gratified by all she saw.

The following letter has been addressed by the Chief Lady Superintendent, Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association to the various branches of that organisation :—

"I am desired to ask you kindly inform your Committee that Her Excellency Lady Hardinge of Penshurst has now formally taken over the duties of Lady President of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association. Her Excellency trusts that all those who have so cordially assisted Lady Minto during last five years will continue to give the same the generous and valuable aid in the future. Lady Hardinge desires that it shall be generally keenly interested in the work which has been carried on by her predecessors and that she will use her best endeavours to forward the interests of the Nursing Association. Moreover, Her Excellency sincerely hopes that the relations of the Central Committee with the Provincial Branches will continue on the same cordial terms as have existed heretofore. Her Excellency Lady Hardinge also desires me to inform you that Her Majesty Queen Mary has graciously consented become patron of the Association conjointly with Her Majesty Queen Alexandra. Major F. O'Kinealy, I.M.S., Surgeon to His Excellency the Viceroy, has now taken up the post of Hon. Secretary. of the Association."

PUNJAB COUNCIL MEETING.

New Bills Passed.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, DEC. 16.

At to-day's meeting of the Punjab Legislative Council, the Punjab Arbitration Bill, moved by the Hon'ble Mr. Currie of the Punjab Chamber of Commerce, was passed.

The Hon'ble Mr. Humphrey then introduced the Punjab Courts Act and the Court Fees Act, the object of which is to amend the law of further appeal in the Punjab so as to assimilate it to that prevailing in other parts of India, (by which right of further appeal is determined by grounds on which appeal is claimed), and also to do away with special provisions of the Punjab Courts Act regarding revision.

The Hon'ble Mr. Fenton then introduced the Colonisation of Government Lands Bill. The Bill repeats many of the provisions of the Act of 1907 which was vetoed but it is a much shorter, simpler and less controversial measure.

Some interpellations then took place. In reply to Mr. Shadilal's question about putting the finances of the province on a better footing the Government reply was that the finances of the province were always engaging the anxious consideration of the Government and serious attemps were made to reduce the establishment wherever possible. Allarger revenue could not be raised over and above ordinary and normal increase under most heads until the Provincial Contract was revised and Canal assessments were revised and adjusted in such a way as to give the local Government a larger share in the cessable value of lands irrigated. The Local Government has addressed the Government of India in regard to the revision of quasi-permanent settlement. But the orders of the Government of India have not been yet received.

SERGEANT CHARGED WITH FRAUD.

Trial Proceeding.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, DEC. 16.

Quarter-Master-Sergeant Patrick Michael Ward, Supply and Transport Corps, pleaded not guilty at a District Court Martial, held in the Theatre of the Cameron Highlanders, Bangalore to-day to the following charge namely, that when concerned in the care of public goods he fraudulently misapplied the same at Bangalore on or about the 18th January, 1910, in his capacity as storekeeper in charge of the rum and tea section of the Station Supply Depot. He is alleged to have fraudulently misapplied to his own use 1,500 pounds of rock salt valued at Rs. 135.

Major Anderson, 81st Pioneers, is the President of the Court, the other five members being drawn from the Royal Engineers and the Cameron Highlanders.

Captain Baird of the Camerons prosecuted and the defence was conducted by Mr. B. Laurence, Barrister-at-Law.

The first witness the Hindu head clerk of the Station Supply Office, deposed to the practice of issuing stores and in cross-examination denied that 2,000 pounds of rock salt were issued in February last without a special requisition. In April and November no such issues were made.

Daniel, avictualling agent, remembered two lots of rock salt being issued once in April, 1910 and once before that. The accused was present on both occasions.

The trial is proceeding.

LATER.

Of the 13 witnesses for the prosecution at the trial of Quarter-Master Sergeant Ward, the fifth staff Sergeant Torkildsen who was accused's predecessor in the Supply and Transport office up to September last year, deposed that the victualling Agent, Rungachari, had been deficient of the stores issued to him. There was a theft of salt during the witness's tenure of office.

The next witnesswas Rungachari, who described himself in reply to the Court, as a Second Class Agent, temporarily reduced to third class. He repudiated certain figures and handwriting in the Indian Army form 1520 though the voucher had been initialled by him. He had never had rock salt transactions with the accused. The Court rose at 5-30 p.m. adjourning this witness' cross-examination till to-morrow.

THE King has appointed Captain John Carter, of Cowes, to succeed his late father, who was for some years in charge of King Edward's yacht the "Britannia," which is now the property of King George. Captain Carter, jun., had charge of the yacht "Corieande," which his Majesty recently disposed of.

THE SITUATION IN CALCUTTA.

Marwaris Still Hold Back.

TROOPS WITHDRAWN.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

The situation in Burrabazar is brighter today. Excepting the Marwaris all Hindu and Mahomedan shops opened their doors. The Marwaris refused to resume business until the cow killing agitation is finally settled. The Marwaris demand a guarantee from the Government that the cow sacrifice at the Amratolla Mosque should henceforth be discontinued and that cows be slaughtered outside the town.

A Marwaree meeting to consider the position will be held to-morrow.

The troops have been withdrawn and the police are guarding the affected area. A Company of Goorkhas have arrived and they will replace the Calcutta Police in Burrabazar.

Three soldiers of the Shropshire Regiment are reported to have been arrested on a charge of breaking into a house of the late Dr. Suresh Chunder Sarcar at Barrackpore on the 11th instant in the day time. Mr. Warden, D. S. P., 24 Purgnanas, has proceeded to Barrackpore to investigate into the matter.

The police and the local members of the East Indian Railway Voluuteers were called out at Lillooah, last night, to restore order in a disturbance between a large crowd of Mahomedan operatives of the Ghusery Jute Mills and local Hindus. Order was restored with some difficuly after eight arrests had been made,

RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.

Bengal Chamber of Commerce's Protest.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

This week, the Committee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce has addressed a protest to the Government of India against the proposed allotment of ten millions sterling for railway construction and equipment for the ensuing year. The Committee apprehends that even this inadequate allotment may be possibly reduced after referring to the opinion of the India Office Committee on Railway Finance and Administration, that the annual railway programme should be on the basis of a capital expenditure of £125,000,000 sterling. The Committee notes with regret that this limit has not yet been reached. In view of the existing financial situation, the Committee, while refraining from pressing the need for maintaining an annual rate of expenditure of £125,000,000, sterling, is yet strongly of opinion that every effort should be made to maintain that rate, or, at any rate, not to fall below the £10,000,000 sterling rate.

The Committee refers with gratification to the improved equipment on Indian Railways rendered possible by the liberal allotment made, but it is added that the claims of new construction are insistent and that the further curtailment of the allotment would seriously delay construction. In conclusion, the Committee urges that with an allotment of less than £10,000,000 sterling the existing lines cannot be kept up to the constantly increasing demands upon them, while new construction will be curtailed.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Messrs. Porter and Sharp are gazetted Secretary and Joint Secretary, respectively, of the Education Department.

Capt. Shaw, I. M. S. has been posted to Burma.

The services of Lieut.-Col. Grant, I. M. S., and Capt. Chambers, I. M. S., are placed under the orders of the Commander-in-Chief.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Barratt officiates as Chief Engineer and Secretary to the Punjab Government vice Mr. Manners-Smith.

COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

It is notified that the words "Director of Industries, Cawnpore" should be substituted for "Director of Land Records and Agriculture, North Western Provinces."

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Ashton has been appointed Acting Consul General for Denmark at Calcutta.

Mr. Lucas Volkart is confirmed as Consul for Sweden at Bombay.

The provisions of the Glanders and Farcy Law Amendment Act 1910 are applied to Baluchistan.

Major Fisher, I. M. S., has been posted as Residency Surgeon, Jaipur.

Mr. Murray has been appointed Consul for Belgium at Aden.

ARMY DEPARTMENT.

Major Lane, 96th Infantry, has been promoted Lieutenant Colonel.

Major General Pollock has been awarded a good service pension of £100 yearly in the room of Colonel Brownlon and Major General Adams £50 yearly in the room of Major General Scott.

Lt. Col. Sir William Manning and Lt. Col. Corfield, I. A., retire from the service.

Volunteer Officers' decoration has been conferred upon Captain Kennedy, Cawnpore Volunteers.

Lt. Col. W. F. Barrow, Simla Volunteers, resigns his commission.

BOMBAY CROP REPORT.

THE following telegram from the Government of Bombay was sent to the Government of India :—

Standing crops generally good. Kharif harvesting generally progressing. Threshing continues parts Sind, Kolaba, Ratnagiri, Nasik, Ahmednagar. Estimates of outturn generally fair to good. Rabi sowing continues parts Sind, Ahmedabad, Panch Mahals, Kolaba, Kanara, Khandesh, Nasik, Baroda, Savantvadi. Cotton picking continues Hyderabad, Thar and Parkar, Kathiawar, Baroda, parts Deccan. Fodder-supply adequate. Agricultural stock deficient Ahmednagar, Poona, Satara, generally in good condition. Supply of water for drinking and irrigation adequate. Grain-stocks sufficient. Prices risen Satara, fallen Kanara, East Khandesh, Bijapur, generally stationary elsewhere. Quantity purchasable Sind 30 to 41, Konkan 9 to 22 per cent. less than normal, Gujarat 12 percent. more than normal to 20 per cent. less, Deccan 7 per cent. more to 23 per cent less. Karnatak 14 per cent. more to 19 per cent. less.

The Island of Tiree is to be put up for sale by the Duke of Argyll early in January. When advertised some ten years ago the upset price mentioned was £130,000. At that time the Duke of Argyll's sister, the late Lady Victoria Campbell, lived much in Tiree, and took the deepest interest in the improvement of the condition of the people. One industry which she established on a permanent footing was that of wood-carving. The island, which is thirty square miles in area, is very fertile. It has marble of fine quality, and contains quite a series of Scandinavian fonts. Its chief attraction to the sportsman is its excellent snipe shooting.

CYCLIST VOLUNTEERS' DANCE.

THE annual dance of "E" (Cyclist) Company, Bombay Volunteer Rifles, was held at the Town Hall on Friday evening. The function was distinctly a success being attended by about two hundred people. The somewhat bare appearance of the Town Hall's Assembly Room, as it looks under ordinary circumstances, was much mitigated by the decorations which the Company had in excellent taste erected. Prominent amongst these, and standing amid the ferns and other green plants which had been arranged on the platform, were several bicycles, symbolising the special work of the Company. Altogether the decorations of the hall were very effective and assisted by the pretty dresses of the many ladies who were present, turned the Town Hall for once into a scene of brightness and harmonious colour. The evening passed off with conspicuous success and to the music of the Victoria Band the dancing continued until late. The M.C's, Col.-Sergt. Lundy, Sergt. Fido, and Cyclists Browne, Gawthorne, George, and Booker, were responsible for much of the success of the function, but at the same time it must be admited that all the non-commissioned officers worked hard as well. The whole-heartedness with which everyone holding any superior rank in the Company worked for this entertainment is due to the sensible policy which "E" Company has adopted. They have orgainsed entertainments with the double purpose of attracting new members to the Company, and also of cementing the "spirt de corps" of those who already fill the ranks. The Company has recently considerably increased its members, and applications for membership are coming in not only from men who are not already volunteers but from a few who are members of other corps. It is beginning to be known that cycling volunteering makes no more demand on the durability of a cycle, than does ordinary town or country riding.

EXCELSIOR CINEMATOGRAPH.

THE strong item on the programme this week is the great Itala film "The Vestal." Without doubt this picture will be the sensation of the week. It has been taken in an old Roman temple in Italy which has been kept in a fine state of preservation, and the clever acting and dresses in the old world building lend an added charm to the story. Few will fail to admit that this is a great triumph for the Itala Co. The story opens with the departure of a young Roman General and his troops to fight the battles of the Senate. He bids good-bye to his sweetheart, a Roman maiden, who is coveted by the High Priest of Vesta. The priest, in order to gain influence over her, causes a suborned messenger to arrive with news of the young General's death. The maiden, heart-broken, agrees to take the vail and become a virgin in the service of Vesta. Whilst the ceremony is being performed, the lover returns and finds her in the power of the Gods. The fine ceremony of the dedication is seen in all its beauty in the old temple, and later, whilst the maiden is guarding the sacred fire, the priest comes on the scene and attempts to force his attention on her. Her old lover suddenly appears and the priest is worsted, but the lover is compelled by numbers to beat a retreat. The story now becomes very dramatic, and we strongly advise all to see the film, for themselves. Foolshead in a new garb as an honest man is down on the mirth-provoking section of the programme as is also the popular Max Linder in a five-minutes' film entitled "On the Spree." The whole programme will be found specially good this week. To-morrow, Sunday, there will be the usual grand prize show from 7 to 8 p.m., when three beautiful silk sarees or one gold watch and two silver watches will be given away.

ABSCONDING CONVICT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, DEC. 16.

The case of Ashutosh Mookerjee, clerk in the Railway Office, who was sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment, being called on for orders the accused failed to put in appearance. The Sessions Judge has accordingly summoned those who stood bail for him.

KARACHI WHEAT EXPORTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, DEC. 16.

During the week ending the 12th instant three lakhs, forty-seven thousand, two hundred hundredweights of wheat were exported from Karachi, bringing the total exports since January 1st up to one crore, seventy-one lakhs, forty-five thousand, two hundred and fifty-nine hundredweights, as against one crore thity-two lakhs, thirty-three thousand, six hundred and seventy-seven hundredweights during the corresponding period of 1909.

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Via Suez Perfect.	Via Suez Perfect.	Via Direct Cable Perfect.	.....	Via Bhamo Perfect.	Via Lisbon St. Vincent Perfect.

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 16th December 1910.
(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via	Latest Dates. D.	H	M.	Time Occupied in Transmission. Hrs.	Mts
Turkey ...	15	4	30 p.m.	12	55
Teheran ...	16	14	5 p.m.	...	49
Suez	16	1	15 p.m.	1	8

NOTICES.

Cable Asaab Perim interrupted. Telegrams for Erythrea and Abyssinia are forwarded via Suakim Kassala without additional charge (20-6-09).

Ahwaz line interrupted between Ramhormaz and Ahwaz (23-11-10).

The Government of the Commonwealth of Australia have engaged the services of Lieut G. F. Hyde, R. N., for a period of two years to assist in the organisation of its naval forces. It is understood that Lieut. Hyde, who has been serving in the "Shannon," the flagship of the Second Cruiser Squadron, since March last, will on his arrival in Australia be placed in charge of the destroyer flotilla. He has had experience in charge of torpedo craft, having commanded a torpedo-boat and the torpedo-boat-destroyer "Rother". He was until 1905 a Royal Naval Reserve officer, and was then transferred to the Royal Navy with his commission dated back to the day in 1902 when he became a lieutenant in the Reserve.

It is stated that proceedings have been instituted by the Crown against Sir Arthur Vicars, late Ulster King of Arms and Registrar of the Order of St. Patrick. The information which has been filed in the King's Bench Division by the chief Crown solicitor on behalf of the Attorney-General prays for a declaration that the badge of gold provided for the service of the Registrar of the Order of St. Patrick, which it is alleged is now in the possession of Sir Arthur Vicars, is the property of the King, and an order is asked for its delivery to the King, or in default damages. Another paragraph asks in the alternative that the badge may be delivered to Sir Nevile Wilkinson, Ulster King of Arms, the present Registrar of the Order.

SPORTING NEWS.

RACING.

Calcutta 3rd Extra Meeting.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

The following are the horses left in for the Calcutta third Extra Meeting.

PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.—2 miles over 8 flights. Shannon Lass, 11-3, Pantry Girl 10-12, Ruling Passing 10-12, Lady Vera 10-10, Miss Clara 10-7, Bandy Leg 10-5, Cocoa 10-4, Waverley 9-3.

THE JUVENILE PLATE.—6 furlongs. Rose of Malta, Santoinette, Lady Portland and Princess San.

CANNING PLATE.—6 furlongs. Chainlightning 9-12, Phonograph 9-9, Blue Flame 9-6, Royal Colours 9-3, Not Yet, 9-1, Scotch Girl 8-13, Rifebutt 8-3, Sophocles 8-3, Watch Lower 8-3, Clear Creek 7-11, Esabella 7-11, San Remo 7-11, Bright Metal 7-8, Proprietor 7-3.

NOOK PLATE.—5 furlongs. Box-o-Toys 9-12, Lorraine 9-12, Hughie 9-9, the Missus 9-4, Blue Duck 9-4, Lady Grey 9-2. Cracker 9-2, Mandeville 9, Village Girl 9, Safety Pin 8-12, Glenora 8-9, Sea Lad 8-6, Etna 8-4, Topsail 8, Preceeds 7-13, Faggie 8-11, Naini 7-9, The Diver 7-6, Sidonia 6-2.

THE FORT PLATE.—5 furlongs. Malmsey, Speedometer, Neith, Phonograph, Vigorous, Lumination, Tangaros, Punt, Barene, Soultline, Resemblance and Vintage.

WELLESLEY PLATE.—1 1-4 miles. Capture, Malmsey, the Bedouin, Vavarsor, Severity, Fizz, Black Buck, Coat-of-Arms, Maria, Farina and Peru.

CORNWALLIS PLATE.—1 1-2 miles. Lord Barrymore 9-12, Royal Scotland 9-5, Wis Hawk 9-3, Rapin 8-12, Carnival 8-8, Ashanti Gold 8-5, Devereux 8-4, Speedometer 8-4, Red Cell 7-13, Best China 7-3, Bambino 7-1.

RACING.

SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY, 17TH DEC,

TIME AND ORDER OF RUNNING.

	p.m.
The Little Arab Trial Plate	3-10
A Maiden Plate	3-40
The Arab Trial Plate	4-10
The Winter Plate	4-40
The Christmas Plate	5-10
The Selling Plate	5-40

By kind permission of the Officer Commanding and the Officers of the 1st Bn. G I P Railway Volunteers their Band will play during the afternoon.

A SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES:—

Standard Time.	p. m.
Colaba	2-24
Church Gate	2-29
Arrives at Mahaluxhmi	2-39

YACHT CLUB RACES.

The following races will sail to-day :—

"A" CLASS HANDICAP RACE.—Sails at 3-30 p.m

Name of Boats.	Entered by.	Light Wind H'cap. M. S.	Moderate Wind H'cap. M. S.	Frssh Wind H'cap. M. S.
Sapphire	R. H. Hopkins & Major Muter	12 19	8 58	7 10
Eileen IV.....	E. C. Russell & J. E. Watson.....	Scr.	Scr.	Scr.
Mahshirka ...	G. J. Leuncx ...	10 16	11 18	18 23
Turquoise.....	J. W. Stokes & F. J. Preston...	21 11	15 1	8 44
Melody.....	J. B.K. Macbeth.	17 52	15 36	17 36
Isca...	Edgar Faulkner..	29 52	29 56	24 16

Course : No. 57 from Committee Vessel, Tucker Beacon Starboard. Mark Buoy Starboard—Committee Vessel—North Karanja Buoy Port—Committee Vessel = 11·45 miles. Time-limit—6-15 p.m.

"B" CLASS HANDICAP RACE.—Sails at 3-25 p.m.

Name of Boats.	Time Allowances. M. S.	Entered by.
Trixie	Scr.	Embarking Syndicate-
Antelope	7 45	Officers Warwickshire Regt.
Erin	Scr.	Hon'ble Mr. W. T. Morison.
Cricket	9 18	T. S. Gregson.

Course : No. 37+2 from Committee Vessel—P & O Mooring Buoy "B"—Mark Buoy both to Starboard—Committee Vessel—Middle Ground Buoy—Mark boat with R. flag at No. 1 Troopship Buoy both to Starboard—Committee Vessel. = 9·34 miles. Time-limit—6-15 p.m.

TOMTIT CLASS RACE—Sails at 3-20 p.m.

Name of Boats.	Time Allowances. M. S.	Entered by.
Coralie	... ...	Major N. Kirby R. E.
Maud	... ...	Officers R. E.
Mavourneen.....	... ...	Newman Taylor
Pearl	... ...	A. E. Baird and D North
Clutha	... ...	J. J. Welch
Lapwing	... ...	C. N. Moberley
Valkyrie	... ...	R. Walker
Swallow.....	... ...	W. F. Moore

Course : No. 37 from Committee Vessel—P & O Mooring Buoy "B"—Mark Buoy both to Starboard—Committee Vessel. = 7·5 miles. Time-limit—6-15 p.m.

SHIPS' BOAT RACE.—Sails at 3-10 p.m.

Name of Boats.	Time Allowances. M. S.	Entered by.
Launch I.....	Scr.	S. M. S. Gnirsenau.
Launch II	Scr.	do.
Pinnace	12 30	do.
Cutter I.....	12 30	do.
Cutter II	12 30	do.

Course : No. 37 from Committee Vessel—P & O Mooring Buoy "B"—Mark Buoy both to Starboard—Committee Vessel. = 7·5 miles. Time-limit—6-15 p.m

PESHAWAR TO BOMBAY BY CYCLE.

A correspondent writes:—Messrs. Jehangir Hormasji Baam, Cawasjee Curseji Mehta, and Jalbhoy Rastomji Pochkhanawala, who set out to cycle from Peshawar to Bombay on the 16th of the last month, arrived safely in Bombay on the 7th instant having cycled a distance of 1,551 miles. From Peshawar to Wazirabad and up to Delhi they were much troubled owing to the rough road and the thorns lying thick. Several accidents occurred during the run. Near Agra a pedal of one of the cycles was broken and the free wheel of the other got entirely spoilt. Twice the chain of a cycle was broken, once at Malegaon, where it was repaired by a Mahomedan gentleman and answered well for about 100 miles. Coming near Igatpuri it broke again and this time they had to send for another bicycle from Bombay and thus the journey was completed in 22 days. All the cycles were fitted up with Dunlop tyres which were obtained through Messrs. Dinshaw and Menesse and lasted splendidly. Several high ghasser had to be negociated near Rawalpindi, Gawalior, Sipri, etc., the most difficult of which was the Thulghaut of the Satpura range and one at Chandor. All the riders arrived back fit and well. They had intended to continue this journey from North to South of India up to Tuticorin, but had to give it up owing to great expenditure. In future their intention is to tour round India from Peshawar to Delhi, thence to Tuticorin, going round, via Calcutta and back to Bombay, about 4,500 miles. The following is the itinerary of the cyclists:—Left Victoria Terminus by mail train at 3 p.m. on November 13; arrived Peshawar at 8-30 p.m. on November 15.

By cycle left Peshawar at 10 a.m. on November 16th; arrived Delhi (636 miles) at 12 p.m. on Nov. 25th; left Delhi at 8 a.m. on Nov. 26th: arrived Agra (138 miles) at 10 a.m. on Nov. 27h. left Agra at 11 a.m. on Nov. 27th; arrived Sipri (140 miles) at 7 p.m. on Nov. 29th; left Sipri at 8 a.m.. on Nov. 30th; arrived Palesner (350) at 9 a.m. on Dec. 4th; left Malegaon at 10 a.m. and arrived Nasik at 6 p.m. (68 miles) on Dec. 5th; left Nasik 9 a.m. on December 6th; arrived Igatpuri (28 miles) 1 p.m. December 6th; left Igatpuri 7 a.m. on Dec. 7th; arrived Bombay (85 miles) at 6 p.m. on Dec. 7th; total (1,551 miles).

ARRIVALS.

Per s. s. "Egypt," Dec. 16.

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Allen's Miss
Allen's, Mrs P M & nurse
Althorpe, Col A
Atkinson, Mr G R
Barnett, Mrs L
Brace, Mr C M A
Baker's Mrs ayaha
Burt, Miss
Barnes, Mr B D
Beaton, Mr S
Beaton, Mrs
Baker, Mrs W W & infant
Baker, Mr F J
Baker, Mrs
Calson, Mr L H
Cooper, Mr E E
Cooper, Mrs
Clark, Mrs
Chapman, Miss G
Crabbe, Mr E A
Crump, Mr C A
Crelur, Mr W
Cox, Miss C
Cameron, Mr A
Canning, Mr F W G
Cowley, Mr F A
Dodd, Miss, maid and child
Drake-Brockman, Mrs D L nurse and inft
Duce, Col
Duce, Mrs
Duce, Misses D and L
Duce, Miss T
Duce, Master W
Dicken's, Mrs and maid
Doveton, Mrs J H and infant
Drake-Brockman, Mr H V
Drake-Brockman, Mrs
Elsworth, Mr T
Elliot, Mr R H
Elliot, Hon Mrs and maid
Fowle, Mr F C
Fowle, Miss
Fowle, Miss M
Foster, Miss
Fraser, Mr W
Finch, Mr
Finch, Mrs
Fox, Mrs J J
Fraser, Mr J N
Gagahan, Mr G A
Gagahan, Miss
Gagahan, Miss E
Gemmel, Mr F W
Gordon, Capt R S
Hanley, Mr W
Hanley, Mrs
Hartley, Mrs C
Hoare's Mrs maid
Hensley, Miss
Hope, Mr A
Hammersby, Miss E K H
Hewett, Mrs,
Hewitt, Miss
Hooper, Mr I
Hunter, Miss N
Himrich, Mr A C
Howell, Major A A
Harrison, Mr F
Harrison, Mrs
Hafiz, Mr M A
Hudson, Mr W S
Ince, Miss G
Innes, Miss A E
Jenkins, Mr A
Janneson, Miss
Knox, Mr C W
Lwesley, Mrs J
Lampen, Col J
Lampen, Mrs
Marshall, Miss
Marshall's, Mrs and infant
Macgregor, Mrs J W L
MacDougall, Miss J J
Maclean, Miss G
McMinn, Mrs, 2 children and Lady
Mason, Revd D
Moore's, Mrs T Nurse and infant
Moyle, Mr S
McGowan, Mr J
McGowan, Mrs and child
Matthew, Capt E A C
Matthew, Mrs
Metaon, Mr J N
Metaen, Mrs and maid
O'Connor, Mr P C S
Pillans, Miss
Prothero, Mr M
Fett's Mr P nurse and infant
Patons, Mrs maid
Ponsford, Mr T R
Paynter, Mr W J
Pott, Mrs P
Perree, Mr W F
Perree, Mrs
Pearse, Mr
Rockley, Miss nurse
Reith, Miss
Roberts, Mrs
Roberts, Major M B
Ralli's Mrs maid
Ram, Mr D
Smith, Mrs F E
Srhith, Miss
Smart, Mrs
Storru, Miss M G
Smith, Mr C F
Smith, Mrs
Skerritt, Mrs nurse
Stean, Miss M H
Sinclair, Mr J J
Sinclair, Mrs
Tonge, Mrs S
Tallock, Mr C M
Tallock, Mrs
Taylor, Mr
Taylor, Mrs and infant
Tyler, Mr H G
Venis, Miss
Venis, Mrs
Wedderburn, Sir W
Williams, Miss B A
Wedderburns, Sir W nurse
Washington, Mrs V
Walter, Miss maid
Woolley, Miss V O
Walker, Miss C
Watson, Miss
Wright, Miss A F
Wileley, Mrs C T
Wynd, Rev P O
Wynd, Mrs and 2 infants
Weigall, Miss M
Yuill, Mr A F

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Boyes, Mr O
Brown, Mr A and Mr J
Burt, Mr E H and Mrs
Bagram, Mr J E
Boughton Leigh, Miss E
Bhakhry, Mr J L
Beadell, Mr W
Baker, Mr S
Bhan, Mr S
Cook, Capt J L
Collier, Mr J V
Carter, Mr
Cambridge, Mrs E W P
Chand, Mr Ameer
Dhond, Mr R S
Doig, Mr J
Dickson, C B C M G
Duff Gen and Mrs
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Flood, Dr
Greig, Mr J
Gellatti, Mr J P
Gordon, Mrs F F
Ganter, Capt C T
Graham, Lt Col B
Guazzone, Mr A
Guazzone, Mr C
Hindley, Mr C D M
Hindley, Mrs
Hoare, Mrs O
Hoare, Mr O
H H Maharaja The Gaekwar of Baroda
H H Maharani
Henniker, Mrs A R
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Maclean, Mrs A
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Paton, Mrs
Princess, Indiaraja
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Powell, Mr E A
Purohit, Mr B V
Pole, Mr D G
Prince Dhairyashil
Roberts, Mrs
Rose, Miss
Richards, Mr A F W
Ralli, Mr A C and Mrs
Raikes, Mrs E B child and nurse
Rees, Mr T O
Somerset, Mrs C W
Shuttleworth, Mr H L H
Shanker Wagh, Mr
Shallim, Mr D S
Scholl, Mr F
Spink, Mr T W
Topping, Mr A
Topping, Mrs
Thiebeart, Mr L
Tyall, Mr J H
Tour, Mr Victor
Thurston, Mr F F
Underwood, Mr P valet
Veneck, Mr S
Whyte, Miss M E
Whyte, Miss E H
Weathered, Miss
Walker, C I E, Sir J
Walker, Lady
Walker, Miss E
Wright, Mr R W
Williams, Mr C A
Webb, Mr A
Walker, Miss C
Yeaman, Mr W J

FROM BRINDISI.

Anderson, Mr E O
Baurle, Mr A C
Ferguson, Mr A F
Hodgson, Capt M R K
Kenrich, Mr G W
Pillinger, Capt R
Sanders, Mr H G

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Dreyer, Miss A
Holhrook, Miss E
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Bader, Mr F R and Mrs
French, Mr N E L
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Mullen, Mrs H
Mckenzie, Mr K
Sargent, Miss T
Strange, Mr F H L
White, Mr A W
White, Mrs A and miss
Wesley, Mr A E

MARSEILLES TO KARACHI.

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Calocoressi, Mr P J, Mrs and maid
Hutchinson, Mr G and Mrs and maid
Hyman, Mr S
Hensles, Mrs L E A and infant
Leadhan, Miss
Jackson, Maj T Mrs and 2 children
Mullins, Col W B
Mani, Mr R G
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Per s. s. "Koerber," Dec. 18.

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Benn, Major and Mrs
Clencham, Mr Mac
Chenoy, Mr and Mrs
Claudia, Miss
Derso Mr E
Davis, Mr H S
Djelal, Mrs
Demetriadis, Mr
Feorichs, Mr
Fox, Mrs G K
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Gubbay, Mr
Greer, Capt F A
Hummel, Mr J C
Hanaucek, Mr
Hardy, Mrs V G
Hiley, Mr A C
Hallowes, Revd and Mrs J F T
Horodysky, Mr and Mrs
Holbin, Mrs
Hiller, Mr J W
Haskoff, Mr
Heininger, Miss
Hildegard, Miss T
Jochen, Mrs, and 2 children
Jost, Mr G
Josepha, Miss
Llaecker, Mr
Llewellin, Mr G B
Llewellin, Baroness B
Lewison, Mr
Laikaka, Mr
Mason, Mr L
Narain Mr
Norbert, Mother
Plati, Mr
Piper, Mr and Mrs Southwell F
Pauderis, Mr T
Favri, Mr M
Protascia, Sister
Patricia Mother
Ringger, Mrs
unfle, Major F P
Robinson, Capt E
Reschke, Mr C
Rathmanswany, Mr
Remigia, Sister
Sahroff, Mr D P
Swetenham, Mr C C
Simpson, Mrs A
Spencer, Mr and Mrs R D
Sonnerfeld, Mr
Sanders, Mr
Schoonfeldt, Mrs
Schmid, Mr C
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MINING IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

MR. MONTGOMERY, the capable State Mining Engineer to the Government of Western Australia, put the case for the mines of that by no means played-out region, with all the care of a scientific expert before the Royal Society of Arts in London on November 29. He dwelt on the natural features of that mostly level country, on its climate, the curious cropping up of the auriferous zones, the total value of the precious metals got from them, the relation that figure bore to the world's output of gold, and, most tender point of all, the dividends paid to shareholders in the companies formed to exploit the mines. The West Australian gold boom began with the exports of that metal from Kimberley in 1886, though from 1850 and 1853 such common metals as lead and copper had been raised and shipped abroad. Those minerals were considered good enough until the Kimberley mines, quickly followed by Pilbara and Yilgarn, gave gold in quantities. Every year or two after this, new fields of different values were discovered, such as Murchison, the Coolgardies, Gascoyne, the Philips River and many others. During this period tin, mica, coal, asbestos, plumbago and a whole string of lesser minerals were found and worked. Mr. Montgomery's lucid revelation of the geological secrets of the country explains the curious ups and downs in the gold production of West Australia. He showed how the prehistoric disturbances that broke the earth's crust in that region drove right up through the formations that held the gold—and for that matter any less considered mineral—great areas of granite or other rock, dividing the auriferous greenstones series and isolating it in patches all over the country.

Without following too closely, Mr. Montgomery's clear but lengthy exposition of Nature's aeons-long processes with the earth and its crust, we can understand how miners of the present utilitarian age, who find gold after much seeking and rely on a steady output from the lodes, grow disheartened when the shining metal gives out suddenly. To them it is a poor consolation to be told of the Devonian or pre-Cambrian formations, of ancient intrusive or metamorphic rocks, or even of quartz produced by metasomatic change. Their only care is that if the gold has given out, their valuable machinery and batteries will be idle, or will have to be moved on to some more promising mine when, with infinite trouble, they have prospected it. It is this elusive character of the auriferous veins of Western Australia that has aroused a spirit of doubt in many of those who have shared the risks entailed in mining there. But the State Engineer, nothing daunted, is convinced that there are as many, if not more, gold lodes still undiscovered in Western Australia awaiting the steady and patient prospector. He condemns the speculation that led to many "wild-cat" schemes connected with mines, with or without a local habitation, but never without an attractive name. He expressed his firm belief that such schemes did not originate in Western Australia, but in a spot not many miles away from Throgmorton Street. In this belief he is probably too well justified. The State has produced in the twenty-three years elapsed since it first exported gold, £91,780,000 worth of that mineral. This is far more than the output of any other division of the Commonwealth except Victoria, which had thirty-five years' start, but which every year since 1897 returns figures far below those of Western Australia. Mr. Montgomery showed that the British investor, who may be described as the true test of mining success, or at least the standard which all gold must reach, drew dividends ranging from 18 to 26 per cent. of the total gold produce of the country, and he asserts that such a figure is a very favorable return for any industry. For the last three years the dividend paid came to over 27 per cent. of the total production of all the registered companies. But this, as someone else remarked, is very different from what the percentage would be, if calculated on all the companies that have ceased to float, having sunk into depths far below any West Australian mine.

The lecturer, while taking an optimistic view of the dividend-paying capacity of these mines, admitted that he "had not been able to get hold of any reliable estimate of the total capital contributed by companies towards exploiting the mines of Western Australia." This did not prevent him from coming to the conclusion that "far more money has been repaid to the investors in dividends than they have laid out from capital in opening, equipping and exploiting the mines." That is an eminently satisfactory dictum, coming from so good a judge of the country and its mineral resources. It is easy to understand his pained surprise when he contemplates the "adverse attitude" of the London mining market in late years vis-a-vis West Australian ventures. But here the character of the country comes in to explain matters. Lodes and reefs that charm prospectors, and through them companies, with promises of a permanent gold output, suddenly come to an end up against a non-auriferous formation; profits cease and lamentations begin. To prevent such disappointments, Mr. Montgomery advises perseverance in the preliminary work when developing a mine with option of purchase, before completing a bargain. This is a counsel of prudence that has not, we fear, enough of the elements of gambling to commend it to the British investor whose fancy for taking risks is as great as his hopes of a big prize are high. There are far too few people in Western Australia. All told, men, women and children, they number only 285,000. The area of the country could allot each of these three and a half square miles and even of the proclaimed gold-fields each could have one square mile to himself. It is plain that there is room for many more people to work and play in Western Australia and now that the Government has interested itself in finding water-supplies for the mining districts and has established State batteries for treating the ore of small mine owners, there seems much reason in Mr. Montgomery's suggestion that enterprising and steady young men who cared to learn the business of prospecting and working small mines until they become owners, would find a tempting field in the State. Strong, industrious men who have to depend on their own physical efforts to make their living either in mining or in farming need not be afraid of selecting a district in Western Australia for the play of their energies, for all round according to Mr. Montgomery lie possibilities of gold and other minerals, while for agricultural produce there is a ready market wherever men congregate and wherever transport communications exist.

IS LORD KITCHENER MUZZLED? THERE was a loud outcry, at Home, a few months ago, because Lord Kitchener was not placed on the Committee of Imperial Defence on his return to England. For a time the Government, evidently reluctant to take so strong a man into its councils, held out against the popular clamour, excusing itself on the plea that since Lord Kitchener had refused the Mediterranean command he had forfeited his right to a seat on the Committee of Imperial Defence. This excuse was too paltry to be accepted by either of the two great political parties. Mr. Asquith had to give way under the pressure of his own supporters and so Lord Kitchener was invited to take a place on the Committee. The every-day Briton knows little or nothing about this somewhat mysterious Committee of Imperial Defence. He has no idea what it does or when it meets. The names of the members are to be found in no ordinary book of daily reference, in fact no one knows very much about it. Its name is seldom mentioned and the general belief is that although it has a somewhat high-sounding name and its members are all experts in their own line of business, it has little voice in the councils of the nation, or would it not be more appropriate to say that at present it is allowed but little voice in those councils. Nevertheless it is useful to the Government in much the same way as the Army Council is useful to the War Minister. It may advise but not necessarily with any idea that the advice tendered will be accepted. Further, this Committee for Defence might become a most useful scapegoat in time of national danger. The Government really responsible for some disaster, owing to the inadequacy of the measures taken for the Imperial Defences, could drag out the Committee of Imperial Defence from its obscurity and place it as a shield between it and an enraged nation. But this is all what might have been; conditions have changed although perhaps few may realise it as yet, those who know the character of Lord Kitchener, know what is coming. He has the full confidence of the whole nation, an asset which no political leader, can claim to possess. He has further complete confidence in himself. Is he likely to be one of a committee which can be justly accused of lacking initiative or that is important to make its will felt? Those who possess the slightest knowledge of Lord Kitchener's character must know that he is the last man to allow himself to be "muzzled" under any consideration where he felt it was in the interests of the country to speak out. The writer of an article in the "National Review" imagines that he has discovered the reason of the Government for surrendering to the popular clamour and placing Lord Kitchener on the Committee of Imperial Defence. A strange and remarkable discovery indeed "to play off a muzzled Lord Kitchener against Lord Roberts and thus to prevent the two from fighting side by side in a campaign for the reorganisation of the British Army on the basis of universal service." We may take it that "Ignotus," the writer of the article, is unable to appreciate the chief points of Lord Kitchener's character or he would not have been at such pains to explain to us how the 'strong man' has been muzzled and chained up. Lord Kitchener's views on the subject of Imperial Defence are already known to those with whom he is in consultation, on the matter and the Empire will not be kept long in ignorance of what those views are.

A VENERABLE POET-PRELATE. DR. ALEXANDER, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland, who has just resigned, might well seek rest from his heavy episcopal duties, as he will complete in a few months his eighty-seventh year. He is the oldest prelate at present living in the British isles having been consecrated so far back as 1867 Bishop of the Irish see of Derry and Raphoe. In 1896 he was translated to the archi-episcopal see of Armagh when he was already 74. Armagh is the premier see of the Irish Protestant Church and its Archbishop is Primate of all Ireland, just as the Archbishop of Canterbury is Primate of all England. Armagh is the senior of the two provinces in which Protestant Ireland is divided for ecclesiastical purposes, Dublin being the other. Since the disestablishment of the Irish Church in 1871 by Gladstone, Armagh has lost much of its importance along with other Irish sees, but still it is important enough having five large bishoprics under its jurisdiction. It is the oldest see not only in Ireland, but in the British Isles, being said to have been founded by St. Patrick himself, the Apostle of Ireland in 444, four years before he established the see of Dublin. For seven centuries its holders were styled bishops, but in the middle of the twelfth century it was raised to an archbishopric and the dignity of Primate of all Ireland was then recognised as belonging to its Archbishop. In 1822 the bishopric of Clogher was united to this see and the Archbishop of Armagh was thereafter also Bishop of Clogher. But in 1886, on the death of Archbishop Beresford, the two were again separated and still remain apart. Dr. Alexander, after a brilliant career at Oxford, became a Dean, but was disappointed when he was a candidate for the chair of Poetry in his own University in 1867 in succession to Mathew Arnold who retired after a brilliant double term of ten years. The University wanted to reappoint Arnold for a third term, but that was not found possible under the statutes, and the choice lay between Dr. Alexander, Dr. Kynaston and the late Sir Francis Doyle, the last of whom was elected. But Dr. Alexander soon found consolation elsewhere, as in a few weeks he was nominated Bishop of Derry and Raphoe by Lord Derby, the Prime Minister, for whom he had composed the congratulatory ode on his installation as Chancellor of the Oxford University in 1853. Poetry, especially of a sacred character, has always been the chief diversion with the Archbishop, and he is widely known throughout the English-speaking world as the author of many volumes of popular sacred verse including hymns. His poems on great occasions are always appreciated, and particularly interesting to us in India was his splendid ode to Lord Curzon when he retired home from the Viceroyalty of India, which later appeared in Mr. Karkaria's book on Lord Curzon. Archbishop Alexander, though he has never come to this country, has an hereditary interest in India as an ancestor of his, Josias DuPre, was Governor of Madras in 1770 and the latter's son was a director of the East India Company, several of his cousins and second cousins have also served in the Civil Service of this country, one of whom married a daughter of Claude Erskine, once member of Council, Bombay, and a grandson of the famous Sir James Mackintosh, Recorder of Bombay, a hundred years ago. Dr. Alexander is cousin of the present Earl of Caledon whose grandfather also served in India.

THE Bank of Bengal have decided to leave their rate at seven per cent.

THE Privy Council has refused Birch, and the other defendants in the Burma Kheddah Case, leave to appeal.

TWO Jesuit Missionaries, who were expelled from Portugal during the Revolution, have arrived at Belgaum and a few others are expected to join the Cochin Diocese shortly.

THE Port Officer, Bombay, has issued the following notice:—The Commander of the "Narbudda" reports passing yesterday afternoon an overturned bugalow, latitude 13—2½, longitude 74—31.

IT is understood that Sir John Hewett will take up his new duties in connection with the Durbar on April 1911 with headquarters at Delhi and Simla, and he will retain his personal staff as Lieut.-Governor.

IN the Howrah Gang case on Friday before the Chief Justice and Justices Brett and Chatterjee, another accused Satish Chunder Mitter was discharged, as his case stood on the same footing with that of Haripada, who had already been discharged.

IT is now high time, writes a correspondent, that the members and delegates to the Educational Conference of the Moslem League should make preparations to attend the sessions at Nagpur. The Medical Authorities at Nagpur certify that the Saddar Bazar and the Civil Station, where the Pandal is constructed and where delegates are to be accommodated, are quite free from plague, and that delegates need not hesitate about attending the session on that account.

ACCORDING to a statement in the "Neue Freie Presse" the two Dreadnoughts which are now in course of construction at Trieste will be launched in the second half of 1911, and will be ready for service at the end of 1912. The keel of a third, and possibly larger Dreadnought, will probably be laid at Pola early in 1911, while a fourth is likely to be constructed at Fiume. The journal says that the naval Budget for 1911 will contain appropriations for three Dreadnoughts, and will consequently be considerably in excess of the Budget for 1910.

A SPECIAL telegram from Pekin to the "Eastern Times" states that the Wai-wu-pu has recently been ordered by the Prince Regent to come to terms immediately with the French authorities on affairs relating to railways and mining operations in Yunnan, and to report the result to the Throne. No further delay will be permissible.

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

THE GENERAL ELECTION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 2.

THOSE who predicted that we were in for a very close fight have proved to be true prophets. There are some old-stagers who say that to find a parallel to the life and death battle now being waged North, East, South and West, we should have to go back to the famous general election of 1868, when the question of the disestablishment of the Irish Church was the principal issue. However that may be, the trial of strength between political parties which took place in January last was a very mild affair compared with the present struggle, though this may not be reflected by the actual votes polled. It is certainly not the least of the mysteries connected with the sudden determination of his Majesty's Government to appeal to the country before the Coronation that the election is being fought on the old register. There is a consensus of opinion that an old register is always more unfavourable to the Liberals than to their opponents. Why, therefore, did not Ministers arrange for the new register, to be used on this occasion? When Mr. Asquith was asked about the matter in the House of Commons before the dissolution, he said it was 'impossible' to expedite the new register, but did not explain why. The only impossibility I can think of is that the other side would object. If they did this, of course, the thing could not go through. I think I mentioned a week or two ago that in the registrations of this year the Conservatives did better than their opponents. I hardly think that the advantage was so great as is supposed. There would have been an outcry on the part of the Conservatives if the Government attempted to steal a march on their rivals in this somewhat petty manner and, as a matter of fact, practically the only objection to the old register being used has come from London Liberal candidates. The Metropolis has been somewhat neglected in this contest by the Liberal leaders or at all events by the Prime Minister. Why there was no big Liberal gathering at the Royal Albert Hall is a puzzle to many supporters of the Government. It is time that Mr. Asquith opened the campaign at a London Club, but his audience on that occasion was by no means confined to Londoners and the speech was obviously not made to the Metropolis merely but to the electorate as a whole. Everybody says that the Liberal Chief of the Staff, the Master of Elibank, is a master in organization and what everybody says is sometimes true—you will know before these lines can be read whether it is true in this instance—but I should have thought it would have been better tactics to devote less attention to Northern constituencies where rightly or wrongly the Liberals are believed to be unassailable and to have used the most powerful weapons for London where their position, unless misunderstood, is decidedly weak. It was also an unpardonable blunder for the Master of Elibank's Scottish Lieutenant, Mr. Gulland, to go out of his way on the eve of the declaration of war to speak in so depreciative, not to say contemptuous, a manner of the men of the South. It was in the South that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman unfurled the Liberal standard when he, undervalued though he was, led his forces to their marvellous victory. His meeting in the Royal Albert Hall was the outstanding feature of that election. Mr. Balfour's meeting in the same building is so far the outstanding feature of this election. His dramatic pronouncement in favour of taking the opinion of the country regarding Tariff Reform by means of the Referendum will be historical. Whatever may be the final consequences of this unexpected announcement, there is no denying that for the moment at all events it staggered that portion of humanity which owes allegiance to Mr. Asquith. It was unfortunate for the Prime Minister that he should have been speaking at the same time as Mr. Balfour was addressing the vast gathering at South Kensington. On more than one occasion, during the past seven or eight days, and by more than one Liberal leader, the question has been asked, What about Tariff Reform and the Referendum? It was considered sufficient to merely ask the question to show the absurdity of thinking an affirmative answer could be forthcoming. "Are we to understand," said Mr. Asquith on Tuesday, "that if the Tories get back with a majority in the next House of Commons they will have no mandate for Tariff Reform? Is Tariff Reform a matter of great gravity? Tariff Reformers will say it is. If it is a matter of great gravity, it ought to be subjected to the great Referendum." Perhaps these words were conveyed by telepathy from Reading to Kensington. "I admit," said Mr. Balfour speaking the same evening, "that this election or any elections perhaps—certainly this election—cannot be described as taken upon Tariff Reform simply and I have not the least objection to submitting the principles"—his critics fasten upon these words 'the principles'—"of Tariff Reform." A score or more of constructions are placed upon these words according to the particular views of the commentators. Lord Cromer, Mr. Harold Cox and some other Unionist Free Traders have hastened to accept Mr. Balfour's declaration as satisfactory to them, but I do not suppose that the leader of the Opposition in making his avowal was thinking so much of them as of the electors of Lancashire. We shall know by to-morrow evening whether they are satisfied. Lord Cromer's friends had decided how they should vote long before Mr. Balfour's speech. A week ago there appeared a letter on this subject in the *Times* over the signatures of the ex-Viceroy's brother, Mr. Arthur D. Elliot, Sir Alfred Lyall and Mr. Henry Hobhouse. "There will," say the signatories, "no doubt be exceptional constituencies in which the contest will turn, mainly or entirely, on the Tariff issue. Here it may be too much to expect Unionists who are strong free-traders to set aside, for the emergency, their convictions on Free Trade. But, speaking generally, we consider that those who sympathize with the opinions we have expressed will be acting wisely in supporting Unionist candidates at the present election." We are still in ignorance as to the *suns et origo* of the dissolution. "Redmond" say the Unionists. But Mr. Asquith emphatically declares that Mr. Redmond had no more to do with it than the man in the moon.

Of the things that make this extraordinary General Election exceptional, not the least interesting, is the way in which the articulate members of the hereditary Chamber are taking advantage of the recent refusal of the House of Commons to renew its sessional order forbidding peers to take part in Parliamentary contests. Mr. Balfour in the City the other day asserted that he is a democrat. Lord Lansdowne went one better at Portsmouth on Wednesday. Said the noble Marquis "the founder of the fortune of my family was the son of a small tradesman in a Hampshire village not far from here. It is on record that his first successful trading venture was a venture in hats. In those days the family had not begun to think of coronets; and I recommend myself on that account to a Hampshire audience." It is only fair to say that this interesting piece of information was not given merely to please the gallery but as a reply to some apparently uncharitable description by a speaker on the other side. It was almost impossible that Lord Lansdowne should avoid referring to Mr. Lloyd George's continued gibes at the expense of noble backwoodsmen, but he dealt with their remorseless critic more good humouredly than Lord Curzon and the Duke of Marlborough, for example, have done. "We are told," said the Marquis, "the House of Lords is an Assembly of snobs, that it represents an Apostolic succession of rank and snobbery. If that is true, is it not remarkable that the present Government has added to the House of Lords during its short term of office some 40 odd gentlemen, whom I should certainly not venture to call snobs, although I may not have the amount of admiration for their antecedents or ability which their own party bestow on them? But worse than that—have you noticed that we are warned that if the Government come back to power and the House of Lords remains obdurate on the Constitutional issue it will be extracted from its difficulty by the addition of 500 more snobs to the House of Lords? What a homœopathic dose of snobbery! This great avalanche of snobbery is to carry everything before it and to solve all the troubles of the Government. A famous English novelist and satirist, Thackeray, wrote a work called "The Book of Snobs," which deals with the different variety of snobs. In his preface Thackeray says, 'Snobs pervade all classes of society.' I think there is some truth in that. If you find a man losing no opportunity of boasting of the humility of his origin in order to contrast it with the demerits of those who for no fault of their own have inherited land, or wealth, or station, a man who pours contempt on others, not for anything they have done, but on account of position which had come to them in the natural order of events—that man would beyond all question be claimed by Thackeray as an interesting specimen of a particular type and a very mischievous type of the genus snob. But I never myself take Mr. Lloyd George too seriously. I doubt very much whether he believes half the things he says amidst the excitement and glamour of the public platform. I go a little further. I have observed that a great many Chancellors of the Exchequer, after they have served in various high appointments, end by being promoted to the peerage. I do not suppose I shall live to see the day, but I think some of you may—it would be so very easy, would it not, to convert "Lloyd George" into "Lord George"—Lord St. George, if you like, or some Welsh locality with a name consisting principally of consonants and not very easy for any one else to pronounce, and no doubt in the peerage of Wales, for by that time Wales will probably have a peerage of its own. If the day ever comes I feel quite sure that the present Chancellor of the Exchequer will form a most valuable and interesting addition to any Upper House which may then be concerned in the management of our affairs."

That Viscount Morley should have gone on the stump is a surprise, but no doubt he was induced to enter the fray by the appearance of Lord Rosebery on what is rather curiously described a non-party platform in Manchester. Lord Morley spoke at Darwen in the neighbourhood of his birthplace and, says the "Times" correspondent, there was a note of sincere affection in the welcome which a hearty Lancashire audience accorded to the "honest John" of other days. It was by this homely designation, and not by his title, that the chairman introduced the speaker to the audience, and Lord Morley acknowledged in return that in Lancashire he preferred the former. The same correspondent observes:—"His appearances on the public platform have been rare during the past few years, but he quickly showed that he has lost little of the art with which he was accustomed to reach the hearts of a democratic audience. It was an awkwardly-shaped hall for a man who is not always heard with distinctness in the House of Lords to speak in, but his voice seemed to carry surprisingly well. The principal passages of his speech were those in which he took up Lord Rosebery's challenge and in which he repudiated the Referendum as an instrument which would destroy our Parliamentary system. The tone of the speech was as Radical as any of his hearers could wish, and yet the manner of its delivery was so modest and gentle that it must have been listened to with always as much pleasure by his opponents as by his supporters."

Maharaja Holkar has been profiting by his visit to this country to see something of a British general election. He occupied a seat on the platform at the Lambeth Baths on Monday evening when Mr. Winston Churchill was the "star" and his Highness was one of those who listened to Mr. Balfour's dramatic pronouncement at the Albert Hall. At the former meeting the Maharaja heard Mr. Churchill say that whereas Mr. Lloyd George in his speeches was invariably witty, Mr. F. E. Smith was invariably vulgar. If the Indian prince knew as he probably did that in private life Mr. Churchill and Mr. Smith are bosom friends, he must have been rather astonished. By the way, the political friends of Mr. F. E. Smith are far from pleased at his intimacy with the Home Secretary, but he has too strong a position in the Conservative party to be alarmed by this disapproval.

Quite a considerable number of candidates, including two Cabinet ministers, are *hors de combat* through sickness and I wonder more have not been laid up considering how inclement the weather has been ever since actual hostilities began. Indirectly, at any rate, the Government are being blamed for the present atrocious atmospheric conditions, for they are constantly being told that they ought not to have had the election in December.

THE LATE MR. ALEXANDER ROGERS.

The death at an advanced age of Mr. Alexander Rogers is much regretted by a wide circle of friends. He will be missed in many quarters and nowhere more than at the Royal Society of Arts from the Indian meetings of which he was never absent except in sickness. He was one of the most amiable men I have ever known and he had a keen sense of humour. His long and full beard made him conspicuous. I remember how amused he was when during the Transvaal war the London *gamins* shouted at him "Hello, old Kruger." He was very plucky and almost to the very last notwithstanding his years and infirmities was to be seen in his accustomed haunts.

The *Times* prints the following from a correspondent:—"Throughout his service in India, which terminated in 1879, Mr. Rogers displayed a remarkably sympathetic and impartial attitude towards the people, which made him generally beloved. He early determined to master the languages of the various races, and was especially successful with Gujarati and Marathi. About the close of his Service career there occurred an incident at Poona of the ill-treatment of a native which greatly agitated the community, but the firmness and impartiality with which as a member of the local Government he disposed of the complaint entirely pacified the irritation."

THE GENERAL ELECTION.

THE LORDS' FIGHTING POLICY.

PREMIER INTENDS PEOPLE'S COMPLETE ENFRANCHISEMENT.

SIZE OF THE GOVERNMENT MAJORITY.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

The Constitution of the parties up-to-date is:—

Unionists	**263**
Liberals	**258**
Labour	**42**
Nationalists	**75**

The party gains have been:—

Unionist	**26**
Liberal	**22**
Labour	**5**
Nationalist	**1**

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The following correction of the Dartford result has been cabled, showing that the Liberals have gained a seat there :—

J Rowlands, (L).....9,152
W. Mitchell (U).....8,918
Liberal gain.

Election results :—

ABERDEENSHIRE. WEST.

J. Henderson, (L) 5,415
G. Smith, (U) 3,232
Liberal majority 2,183
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—J. Henderson (L) 5,901; G. Smith (U) 3,194; L. majority 2,707.

ARGYLLSHIRE.

J. Ainsworth, (L) 4,280
G. Hutchinson, (U).....4,023
Liberal majority..... 257
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—J. Ainsworth (L) 4,443; G. Clerk Hutchinson (L) 3,617; L. majority 826.

AYRSHIRE, SOUTH.

W. Beale, (L) 8,715
T. McIntyre, (U).....6,835
Liberal majority 1,880
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—W. P. Beale (L) 8,833; W. McIntyre (U) 6,793; L. majority, 2,040.

BERWICKSHIRE.

H. Tennant, (L) 3,005
Campbell, (U) 2,000
Labour majority 1,005
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—H. Tennant (L) 2,992; Sir H Seton-Karr (U) 2,060; L. majority 932.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE NORTH.

F. Verney, (L) 6,029
Bernard, (U) 5,702
Liberal majority 327
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—F. Verney (L) 6,055; Hon. T. Fremantle (U) 5,944; L. majority 111.

CORNWALL, CAMBORNE.

Acland, (L) 4,419
Coates, (U) 2,326
Liberal majority 2,093
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—A. Dunn L. 5,027; N Chamberlain, U. 2,587; L. majority 2,440.

CORNWALL, ST. IVES.

Sir Clifford Cory, (L).....4,253
Williams, (U) 3,338
Liberal majority 915
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Sir Clifford J. Cory (L, 4,458; Major C. B. Levita (U) 3,586; L majority) 872.

DERBYSHIRE, HIGH PEAK.

Wood (U).....5,813
O. Partington, (L).....5,629
Unionist majority 184
Unionist gain.
Previous Election, 1910—G. Partington (L) 6,912 S. Hill-wood (U) 5,806; L. majority 106.

DUMFRIESSHIRE.

P. Molteno, (L) 4,708
W. Murray, (U) 4,146
Liberal majority 562
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—P. Molten (L) 4,666; W. Murray (U) 4,091; L. majority 575.

DUMBARTONSHIRE.

Allen, (L).....8,567
Shore, (U) 7,267
Liberal majority 1,300
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—J. White (L) 8,640; H Brock (U) 7,607; L. majority 1,033.

DURHAM, BISHOP AUCKLAND.

Sir H. Havelock-Allan, (L) ... 4,531
Hoare, (Lab) 3,993
Markham, (U) 3,519
Liberal majority 1,112
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Sir H. Havelock-Allan (L) 5,391; Sir W. Chaytor (U) 3,841; Alderman-House (Lab) 3,572; L. majority over (U) 1,550.

DURHAM, BARNARD CASTLE.

A. Henderson, (Lab) 5,868
H. Stobart, (U) 4,423
Labour majority..... 1,445
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—A. Henderson (Lab) 6,136; H. G. Slobart (U) 4,646; Lab majority, 1,490.

FORFARSHIRE.

J. Falconer, (L) 6,449
Duncan, (U) 4,397
Liberal majority..... 2,052
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—J. Falconer (L) 6,789; R. F. L. Blackburn, K.C. (U). 4,284; L. majority, 2,505.

GLOUCESTER. TEWKESBURY.

Hon. M. Hicks-Beach. (U)... 5,699
R. Lister, (L) 5,267
Unionist majority 432
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Hon M. Hicks-Beach U. 6,050; R. Lister L 5,088; Fox Lab. 338.

GLOMORGONSHIRE, GOWER.

J. Williams, (Lab) 5,480
Phillips, (L) 4,527
Labour majority 953
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—J. Williams (Lab) 9,312; P. Simner (U) 2,532; Lab. majority, 6,780.

HERTFORDSHIRE, HITCHIN.

Dr. Hillier, (U) 5,233
Greg, (L).....3,942
Unionist majority.....1,291
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Dr. Hillier U. 5,761; St G. Fox-Pitt L. 3,877; U. majority 1,884.

HADDINGTONSHIRE.

Rt. Hon. R. B. Haldane, (L)...3,845
B. Blyth, (U) 3,158
Liberal majority 687
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Rt. Hon. R. B. Haldane L. 3,771; S. Blyth U. 3,026; L. majority 745.

LINCOLNSHIRE, STAMFORD.

Hon. G. Willoughby, (U) 4,545
G. Parkin, (L).....4,206
Unionist majority..... 239
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Major Hon. C. Willoughby (U) 4,666; G. Parkin (L) 4,310; U. majority 356.

LANARKSHIRE SOUTH.

Sir W. Menzies, (L) 5,160
Douglas, (U) 3,963
Liberal majority 1,197
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Sir W. Menzies (L) 4,346; J. Mitchell (U) 3,715; L. majority 631.

LEICESTERSHIRE, HARBOROUGH.

Logan, (L) 8,192
Sir H. Marshall, (U) 7,115
Liberal majority 1,077
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—R. C. Lehmann (L) 8,632; Sir H. Marshall (U) 7,561; L majority 1,071.

LANARKSHIRE NORTH-EAST.

T. F. Wilson, (L).....9,848
Boyd-Carpenter, (U) 7,142
Liberal majority 2,706
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—T. F. Wilson (L) 9,105; J. R. Wilson (U) 7,012; J. Sullivan (Lab) 3,864; L majority, over U 2,097; L majority, over Lab 7,045.

LANARKSHIRE MID.

Whitehouse, (L).....6,033
Keith, (U) 5,702
Smillie, (Lab) 3,847
Liberal majority over Unionist... 331
Liberal majority over Labour...2,186
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—J. H. Whitehouse (L) 5,792; J. J. Pickering (U) 5,401; R. Smillie (Lab) 3,864; L majority over U 391; L majority over Lab 1,928.

NORFOLK SOUTH-WEST.

R. Winfrey (L).....4,176
Clarke, (U).....3,745
Liberal majority.....431
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Richard Winfrey (L) 4,239; Sir T. Leigh Hare (U) 4,000; L. majority, 239.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE EAST.

Money, (L) 7,430
Sir A. de Capell-Brooke, (U)...6,676
Richards, (Lab) 1,431
Liberal majority 754
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Sir F. A. Channing (L) 8,679; Sir A. deC. Brooke (U) 6,802; L. majority, 1,877.

NORTHUMBERLAND, HEXAM.

R. Holt, (L).....5,124
Chayter, (U) 4,324
Liberal majority 800
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—R. D. Holt (L) 5,478; Col. C. L. Bates (U) 4 417; L. majority, 1,061.

STAFFORDSHIRE, LEEK.

R. Pearce, (L) 5,742
Bromley-Davenport, (U).....5,152
Liberal majority 590
Liberal gain.
Previous Election, 1910—Col. A, H. Heath (U) 5,463; R. Pearce (L) 5,453; U. majority, 10.

WILTSHIRE, WESTBURY.

J. Fuller, (L) 5,041
Palmer, (U) 4,152
Liberal majority 889
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—J. M. F. Fuller (L) 5,179; R. Long (U) 4,525; L. majority, 754.

YORKSHIRE, DONCASTER.

C. Nicholson, (L) 9,240
C. Whitworth, (U)..... 6,696
Liberal majority 2,544
No change.
Previous Election 1910—C. N. Nicholson (L) 10,654; C. W. Whitworth (U) 7,085; L. majority, 3,569.

YORKSHIRE, SKIPTON.

W. Clough, (L)... 6,151
R. Roundell, (U)..... 6,100
Liberal majority 51
No change.
Previous Election,1910—W. M. Clough (L) 6,579; R. F. Roundell (U) 6,071; L majority, 508.

YORKSHIRE, WHITBY.

Hon. G. Beckett, (U) 4,960
Pyman, (L) 4,506
Unionist majority.....454
No change.
Previous Election, 1910—Beckett (U) 5,161; W. Jardine (L) 4,672; U. majority, 550.

Re-elections.

Captain Donelan, (N), has been re-elected for East Cork.

Previous Election, 1910—Capt. A Donelan (N) unopposed.

J. MacVeagh, (N) has been re-elected for, South Down.

Previous Election, 1910—Jeremiah MacVeagh (N) 3,815; Lindon Macassey (U) 3,180; N. majority 635.

H. Barrie, (U) has been re-elected for North Londonderry.

LATER.

Polling takes place in twenty constituencies to-day, the most interesting being in Ramsey, Bassetlaw, Banbury, Buckrose, Montgomery Boroughs and South Dublin.

The Government Majority.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

Mr. Asquith, speaking at Retford, ridiculed the Conservatives' assertion that the election was inconclusive, or that the Government would be at the mercy of the Irish. He declared that the Irish Party was only a small part of the majority. The moment that he and his colleagues ceased to be able to direct the policy of the country, they would resign. The Government's policy was simple, democratic and constitutional, and aimed at taking the longest step o our time towards the complete enfranchisement of the people.

Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at East Ham, said that the majority exceeded that which abolished the Corn Laws, and was twice that which kept Mr. Disraeli in power for six years. Yet the Conservatives said that the Government were beaten. The Government meant to end the Conservative interpretation, that democratic victory does not count except when it carries out the will of the aristocracy.

The Veto Resolutions were merely the beginning of the programme. The Government were determined, at all hazards, to push their plans until the reforms demanded by the people were carried out.

In another speech at Ilford, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that for the first time in the history of the country there was a clear road for Liberal ideas to reach the Throne.

Chances of the Veto Bill.

Lord Selborne, speaking at St. Andrews, yesterday, said that when the pinch came the House of Lords would not hesitate to put forward any effort, physical or mental to defeat the Government's policy.

The Duke of Marlborough, at Banbury, confidently predicted that the Veto Bill would never become law.

Mr. F. E. Smith K. C. at Leighton Buzzard, said, 'Let the Government create 500 peers, and see what will happen.' He did not believe that the Veto Bill would soon be passed. The offer of a referendum on Tariff Reform applied to this election only. He agreed with Mr. Austen Chamberlain that there was a necessity for a further appeal to the country on the specific issue of Tariff Reform. If that appeal were successful a Tariff Reform Budget would be introduced without any delay.

Federal Home Rule.

The *Daily Graphic* states that the Government contemplates initiating discussion on Federal Home Rule at the forthcoming Imperial Conference.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

Ceremony at Sierra Leone.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught have arrived at Sierra Leone, and have been presented with numerous addresses.

The Duke read a message from King George.

Later in the day His Royal Highness laid the foundation-stone of the new Law Courts. Great enthusiasm prevailed throughout.

HONOUR FOR LORD MINTO.

Order of the Garter.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

Lord and Lady Minto to-day lunched with the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace. Lord Minto has been made a Knight of the Garter.

MESSRS. COATS & CO.

A Huge Dividend.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

Messrs. Coats and Company, Cotton Spinners, have declared a dividend of 35 per cent.

The Directors admitted that the profits were partly due to the fact that the Company began the year with a large stock, valued at lower prices than have since been current, but there was also a distinct improvement in many of the foreign markets, which they anticipated would make further progress.

DISTURBANCE AT MADEIRA.

Troops Fire on the Mob.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

A Funchal telegram says :—A disturbance broke out at Santa Cruz yesterday evening, with the result that the troops fired on the mob and dispersed them. Twenty rioters have been imprisoned.

GERMAN WARSHIPS COLLIDE.

Considerable Damage.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

The German battleships "Elsass" and "Schwaben," have collided in Kiel Bay. It is reported that on the former two guns were broken, while the "Schwaben" suffered greater damage.

SENSATIONAL ARREST IN VIENNA.

Alleged Card Swindling.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 16.

A great sensation has been caused in Berlin by the arrest in Vienna of Count Giesbert Metternich, a nephew of the Ambassador in London, at the instance of Lieutenant Backhaus, who accuses him of card-sharping in London in conspiracy with international swindlers.

THE CORONATION AND THE COLONIES.

Canadian Guests.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

Reuter telegraphs from Ottawa that the Government has accepted the invitation to the Coronation. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and some other Ministers are going, and also a contingent of seven hundred troops representing all arms.

AGITATION AGAINST THE PIG-TAIL.

Memorial from the Assembly.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

A Peking telegram states :—The Assembly has memorialized the Throne requesting that all diplomatists abroad, officers, students, soldiers and sailors shall be ordered to remove their queues, which the memorial stigmatises as pig-tails, commemorating the nation's subjection to a race since absorbed by a hardier people.

KING RECEIVES CHINESE MINISTERS.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The King to-day received Buckingham Palace the retiring and new Chinese Ministers.

FLOGGING IN RUSSIAN PRISONS.

Protest from Colleges.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The male and female students at several colleges in St. Petersburg and Moscow have declared a three days' strike as a protest against the flogging of prisoners at Zarantui.

PLAGUE IN THE CAUCASUS.

Batoum and Astrakhan Affected.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

Two deaths have occurred accompanied by symptoms of plague at Batoum. Plague is spreading among the nomads in the province of Astrakhan.

"MAURETANIA'S" FAST TIME.

Rapid Voyage against Heavy Seas.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The "Mauretania", in spite of head winds and heavy seas, arrived at New York in four days, twenty hours, seven minutes.

Barges waited at the pier to begin re-coaling instantly. She sails again at six to-morrow evening.

JAPANESE ATTACHE LEAVES FOR INDIA.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

Major Hata, Attache to the Japanese Embassy, has left for India to join the Headquarters Staff of the Indian Army.

THE HAJ.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

Reuter wires from Jeddah that the Haj pilgrimage is finished and that the health of the pilgrims is perfect.

RANGOON ST. LEGER SWEEP.

Coolie Wins Rs. 32,460.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, DEC. 16.

A uncommon proceeding took place last evening at the office of the Commissioner of Police, Rangoon, when the Assistant Commissioner made over to a coolie named Nukaloo, aged 18, a sum of Rs. 32,460, being the third prize in the Rangoon St. Leger Sweep, drawn on the horse "Trixie."

The payment was the outcome of a petition to the Commissioner stating that two wealthy Mahomedans had obtained possession of the ticket, and the owner was in danger of being defrauded of his rightful claim. An enquiry by the police elicited the fact that another coolie Veerasawmy, while with the owner, had taken possession of his ticket and the two Mahommedans had agreed to purchase it for Rs. 10,000. Veerasawmy was sent for and was accused by the Mahomedans of trying to cheat them and they made him return the money.

Detective Inspector Colquohon, on presenting the ticket at the race-stand, obtained an order on the National Bank for the amount of the prize, which was made over to the rightful owner.

THE following have been elected corresponding members of the Munich Academy :—Mr. Kenyon, Director and Principal Librarian of the British Museum ; Mr. Fletcher, Director of the Natural History Museum, South Kensington ; Principal Miers, of the University of London ; Professor Scott, president of the Linnæan Society ; and Messrs. Wilson and Osborn, Professors of Zoology at Columbia University, New York.

VICEROY AND DEPUATIONS.

Delhi for Coronation Durbar.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

Two deputations waited on the Viceroy this afternoon, one from the Bengal Landholders Association to welcome His Excellency and the other from the Committee elected by the Calcutta Corporation to urge that the Coronation Durbar should be held in Calcutta instead at Delhi. His Excellency informed the latter that the King had himself chosen Delhi as the site of the Durbar and no useful propose would be served by representing to His Majesty the claims of Calcutta.

REPLY TO BENGAL LANDHOLDERS.

The following reply was given by the Viceroy to the address from the Bengal Landholders' Association to-day:—

"Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Bengal Landholders' Association—It is only a few days ago that I replied to an address from the British Indian Association and I am not perfectly clear how you are differentiated from that society unless it be that you number within your ranks a larger proportion of zamindars from Eastern Bengal. In any case it is a pleasure to me to receive you here to-day and I thank you warmly for your address. I notice with appreciation that in the addres which you have presented you have not attempted to slicit my opinion upon any contentious questions. Your friendly reference to the work that my grandfather did in India calls attention to the increasing rapidity with which this country is moving forward to take her place alongside other great progressive countries of the world. But when you contemplate its enormous area, its vast population, and its divergent conditions, when you remember the contrasts between helpless ignorance and extreme intellectual activity, when you take into consideration the strong, and I fear sometimes antagonistic, religious feeling to be found within your borders, you will readily admit that the problem of Indian administration is one of no ordinary complexity. I am, however, surrounded by wise counsellers, both European, and Indian, and can count upon the co-operation of able administrators and loyal services, and I can promise that no effort will be spared on my own part to fulfil the great trust that has been laid upon me and I feel confident that with your help, gentlemen, and that of others of your class all over India and with the greater wisdom we may obtain from our larger Councils, we may look forward to an era of progress and prosperity, and it is my most earnest hope that it may also be a period of peace and happiness.

"I thank you heartily for the welcome you have given me and for the kind thought that inspired you to associate with mine—the name of Lady Hardinge. At the same time I wish to thank you all for the beautiful casket in which your address is enolosed."

The Viceroy's reply to the deputation from the Calcutta Corporation was as follows :—

MUNICIPAL DEPUTATION.

"Mr. Chairman, and Gentlemen. It was only a few days ago that I had the pleasure of receiving an address of welcome from the Corporation of Calcutta and I did not then anticipate that I should so soon receive a deputation from the same body of a more business-like character.

"When I noticed in the papers the other da ythat a discussion had been raised in the Corporatin in regard to the place where His Majesty should hold his Durbar when he comes to India in 1912, I could not help feeling some regret. If I had been aware beforehand that such discussion was likely to arise I would have endeavoured to make known to those interested what I am now about to say. The question is clearly one for His Majesty's own decision and the communications which I have received show that he is already decided in favour of the selection of Delhi. It is natural that His Majesty's loyal subjects in this city should desire that the Durbar should take place here and I feel confident that almost every other great city in India would have the same loyal desire and if they thought they could produce equally good arrangements in their favour. They would be anxious that they should be made known in the proper quarter. But when His Majesty has made public his wishes in the matter I do not think it would be fitting on my part to advise him to reconsider his determination and I feel confident that you would not wish to press me to do so. All this I should like to have said to you before the matter was discussed in the Corporation, but as such an important body as you represent has passed a unanimous resolution that this deputation should be instructed to represent the matter to me I decided after some consideration that it would be more courteous on my part to receive it than to write and say, as I wastempted to do, that such a representation could serve no useful purpose. I hope, gentlemen, that you will understand and accept the position which I have now explained to you and while I cannot hold to you any hope that I will advise His Majesty to reconsider his decision I feel confident that he will be pleased to hear of your loyal and hearty wishes in tne matter and I trust that you will in some degree be reconciled to this unfavourable reply by the possibility of their Majesties spending some days in Calcutta after the Durbar and before their return to England, which although I am not authorised to say so at present I have every reason to believe to be their Majesties' intention. It appears to me hardly necessary to point out that the spontaneous action on theirpart in visiting Calcutta will be a far greater compliment to this greater city on the part of their Majesties than an official visit required merely for the holding of a Coronation Durbar. I thank you for the courteous tone of your representations and for the loyal spirit with which they are inspired."

LORD HARDINGE'S RECOVERY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

H. E. Lord Hardinge, has completely recovered from his slight indisposition at the Levee and did a heavy day's work yesterday. In addition to taking exercise in the grounds of Government House, the Levee itself was a veritable "tour de force" for any Viceroy, necessitating, as it did, the making of some nineteen hundred bows, being about one hundred more than the number required of Lord Minto on the same occasion last year.

DACCA CONSPIRACY CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DACCA, DEC. 16.

To-day Mr. Newbould, District Judge, took up the Conspiracy case. The defence made an application for the transfer of the case on the ground that Mr. Newbould had already tried many cases which formed overt acts of conspirators. The case was accordingly transferred to the file of the Additional District Judge who formally took it up. After some verbal amendment to the charge accused pleaded not guilty. The case is adjourned to 3rd January.

H. H. THE GAEKWAR OF BARODA.

Public Arrival in Bombay.

His Highness Sir Sayajirao Maharaja of Baroda, accompanied by the Maharani, his daughter Indiraraja and his son Shivajirao arrived yesterday, in Bombay by the P. and O. Company's s. s. "Egypt" after a prolonged visit to England and America.

At about 7 a.m., a deputation consisting of the following gentlemen went on board the "Egypt" from the Apollo Bandar to welcome His Highness :—Mr. C. N. Seddon, I.C.S., the Dewan of Baroda; Mr. Sampatrao Gaekwad, brother of His Highness ; Mr. Anandrao Gaekwar, brother of His Highness; Sir Subs, Mr. Sek Chand and two other officials of the Baroda State.

His Highness arrived at the Apollo Bandar in a Government Launch, and on alighting on the steps the usual salute of guns was fired from the saluting battery. On the steps, His Highness was received by a deputation from Government House consisting of Mr. H. V. Cobb, Resident of Baroda, Mr. J. E. B. Hotson, Under Secretary to Government, and Captain Sullivan, A.-D.-C. to H. E. the Governor.

His Highness was then garlanded by Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, his uncle Ochhitra Maharaj and many of his subjects. Among those present at the Bandar to receive His Highness were :—The Hon'ble Justice Sir Narayan Chandavarkar, Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, the Hon'ble Mr. G. K. Gokhale, Mr. Narottom Morarji Gouldass, Mr. D. E. Wacha, Mr. N. M. Samarth, Mr. Vishnu K. Bhatwadekar and others.

After inspecting the guard of honour composed of the 96th Berars, His Highness left for his bungalow at Nepean Sea Road in a Government House carriage.

ADDRESSED TO THE GAEKWAR.

An address of welcome was presented to His Highness Shrimant Sayajirao Maharaja Gaekwar last evening by the Mahratta Aikyeshhu Sabha, in the Framji Cawasji Hall, Dhobitalao. His Highness was welcomed by Mr. Tukaram Jauji, President of the address Committee, Mr. Kashinath Ramkrishna Korgavkar, Mr. Sitaram Kishav Bole, President and Secretary respectively of the Sabha, Mr. Kelutkar, Mr. Kanare, Rao Bahadur Manji Rajuji, Dr. Dhargalkar and Mr. Yende.

A few pupils of the Bombay Malabar Music School entertained the assembly by selections of vocal and instumental Indian Music.

Mr. Tukaram Jayji then read the address of welcome in which the Sabha] expressed their heartfelt satisfaction on the completion of His Highness' tour round the world and said they were gratified once more to have the honour of seeing amidst them Her Highness the Rani Sahib and the daughter and son of the Gaekwar. Among other things the address contained allussions about His Highness' policy with regard to free education, self-government, and a fervent prayer was made for his long life and increased vigour and strength to continue and advance that policy.

His Highness, replying to the address, said :—

ARRIVAL OF SIR WILLIAM WEDDERBURN.

Hearty Reception by Bombay Public.

Hundreds of Indians thronged together at the Apollo Bunder yesterday morning, to welcome Sir William Wedderburn, President-elect of the forthcoming Indian National Congress, who arrived by the P. and O. Company's s. s. "Egypt."

On behalf of the citizens of Bombay a deputation of the following gentlemen had gone on board the s. s. "Egypt" to welcome Sir William.—The Hon'ble Mr. Gopal Krishna Gokhale, Mr. Dinshaw E. Wacha, the Hon'ble Mr. Gocouldass K. Parekh, Mr. Jehangir B. Petit, the Hon'ble Mr. M. A Jinnah, Mr. Jaffer Rahimtoolla, Mr. Narotam Morarji Gocouldass, Mr. Hormasji A. Wadia, the Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Setalwad and Mr. Rustim K. R. Cama.

At the Bandar, Sir William was received by the Hon'ble Justice Sir Narayan G. Chandavarkar, the Hon'ble Sir Vithaldas D. Thakersey, Mr. Damodardass G. Sukhadwalla, Principal Paranjaype, Professor P. A. Wadia and others.

After being garlanded and most enthusiastically cheered again and again by those present at the Bandar, Sir William Wedderburn drove in Babu Panalal's carriage to Mr. Jehangir B. Petit's bungalow accompanied by the Hon'ble Mr. Gokhale, Mr. D. E. Wacha and Mr. J. B. Petit, and followed by a procession of about fifty carriages.

Among those present at the Bandar were :—The Hon'ble Justice Sir Narayan G. Chandavarkar, Dr. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, the Hon'ble Sir Vithaldas D. Thakersey, Shrimant Sampatrao Gaekwad, the Hon'ble Mr. Gocouldass K. Parekh, Mr. Jehangir B. Petit, Mr. Dinshaw E. Wacha, the Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Setalwad, the Hon'ble Mr. M. A. Jinnah, Mr. Hormusji A. Wadia, the Hon'ble Mr. G. K. Gokhale, Mr. Jafferbhoy Rahimtoolla, Mr. Rustim K. R. Cama, Rao Bahadur Dayabhai Harjiwandase, Mr. N. M. Samarth, Mr. Damodardass Gordhandass Sukhadwalla, Mr. Alimahomed Bhimji, Mr. S. N. Guzdar, Babu Punamchand Pannalal, Mr. Narotam Morarji Gocouldass and many others.

THE ROUTE.

Flags and buntings were put up from the Apollo Bandar along the route which lead through. Esplanade Road, Hornby Road, Cruickshank Road, Kalbadevi Road, Bhuleshwar Road, Girgaum Back Road, Sandhurst Road, Hughes Road and Peddar Road. These contained mottoes of various descriptions in honour of Sir William.

As the cortege entered Kalbadevi Road, very great enthusiasm was displayed by the people who had crowded the route, as also by those who were leaning out of the windows of houses to witness the progress of the President of the Congress. The enthusiasm reached its height when the procession arrived at Bhuleshwar. All along Kalbadevi and Bhuleshwar Roads, the streets were crowded with people and vehicular traffic had to be stopped for some time.

Sir William was garlanded and presented with bouquets at several places, some of which may be mentioned as follows :—Near Whiteway Laidlaw's buildings by several Parsi Priests, near Madhowdass' shop by Mr. D. E. Wacha's grand-daughter, by Abdul D. Byramji at Kalbadevi) by Raja Bahadur Shivlal Motilal at Kalbadevi, by Mr. Tarachand Ganshamdass on behalf of the Marwari Shroffs, by Mr. Morarji Gocouldass at China Baug and by Parsi ladies at Girgaum Back Road.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE'S WELCOME.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

The Chairman of the Congress Reception Committee has sent a telegram to Sir William Weddurburn, who arrived in Bombay to-day, welcoming him. Sir William is expected to reach Allahabad on the morning of 23rd or 24th instant, and elaborate preparations have been made for his accommodation here. The Reception Committee has appointed a number of sub-committees to assist them during the Congress.

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 16.

For the convenience of persons attending the Congress, the Reception Committee have arranged for special accommodation for a limited number in a commodious building near the station for rupees twenty-five daily including board in European style, and rupees fifteen daily without board. Carriages can be reserved at ten rupees daily. Trains will also run every hour to the Congress Camp. Delegates wishing to reserve rooms should wire with a remittance; others will be accommodated in the camp.

THE little expedition which lately set out under Mr. Noel Williamson, the Political officer at Sadiya, against certain Dafla villages on the Drang border, has returned to Assam after having successfully accomplished its purpose. The captive Assamese have been released, the offending villages punished, and several of the Daflas who took part in the seizure of the Assamese have been arrested and brought back with the expedition.

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE IN BOMBAY.

Visit to Arab Stables.

DEPARTURE FOR HYDERABAD.

In the morning at about 8 o'clock, yesterday, his Imperial Highness, accompanied by his suite and escorted by Mr. S.M. Edwardes, Commissioner of Police, and Mr. F. Vincent, Deputy Commissioner of Police, visited the stables situated at Bellasis Road, Byculla. His Imperial Highness who is an excellent judge of horses spent nearly an hour and a half inspecting the fine Arabs and Walers in Oomer Jamai's, Haji Suleman Abdul Vahed's and Baidock's stables. His Imperial Highness first visited Mr. Oomer Jamal's stable, where he was received by Mr. Oosman Jamal and by Colonel Gough of the Army Remount Department, and Veterinary Surgeon Hunt. His Imperial Highness selecting a restive animal ordered a number of his suite to mount it. His Imperial Highness also inspected Mr. Ali bin Talib's well-known racers, a number of whom were snapshotted by him. The distinguished visitor expressed himself as highly interested by what he had seen and thanked Mr. Oosman Jamal and Mr. Ali bin Talib for the excellent arrangements made for his reception. On his departure his Imperial Highness was garlanded with flowers by Mr. Oosman Jamal.

The Crown Prince next paid a visit to Mr. Haji Suleman Abdul Vahed's stables, where he also inspected a number of animals. The next stable to be visited by his Imperial Highness was Mr. Baidock's, where he was shown a number of Walers. The Prince was also shown two buck 'jumpers.' Lt. Von Zobelltitz of the Crown Prince's suite mounted an animal by his Imperial Highness's order.

Here his Imperial Highness was presented with a fine Australian terrier. Lt. Von Zobelltitz who also presented with a terrier at Mr. Baidock's stable. His Imperial Highness was greatly pleased with what he had seen at the three stables and returned to Government House at 10-45 a.m.

DEPARTURE FOR HYDERABAD.

His Imperial Highness left Bombay for Hyderabad (Deccan) yesterday afternoon. A special train to convey his Imperial Highness and his suite to H. H. the Nizam's capital was drawn up at platform No. 3 of the Victoria Terminus and a guard of honour was provided by 100 rank and file of the Warwickshire Regiment with band and colours. His Imperial Highness who was accompanied by their Excellencies Sir George and Lady Clarke motored to the Victoria Terminus at 2-30 p.m.

Sir Harold Stuart, chief of the British Staff attached to his Imperial Highness's suite, Prince Henry Reuss, Consul-General for Germany in India, Major J. G. Greig, Military Secretary to H. E. the Governor, Captains Davis and Sullivan, Aide-de-Camp and other members of his Imperial Highness' suite and His Excellency's staff followed in other cars He was received at the station by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, Secretary to Government, Political Department, and Herr Heyer, Consul for Germany in India. His Imperial Highness who had been well received all along the route from Government House to the Victoria Terminus, was also greeted with loud cheers as he walked from the steps of the station to Platform No. 3. The Crown Prince shook hands with most of those present on the platform, and, after conversing for some time with their Excellencies Sir George and Lady Clarke, stepped into the 'special,' the band striking up the National Anthem as the train steamed out of the station at quarter to three o'clock. Among those present on the platform on the occasion were :—Mr. C. A. Kincaid, Secretary to Government, Political Department; Right Rev. Dr. Jurgens, Archbishop of Bombay; the Archdeacon of Bombay; Mr. Hotson, Under Secretary to Government; Mr. P. B. Cadell, Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay; Mr. S. M. Edwardes, Commissioner of Police; Mr. J. Gnider, Deputy Inspector General of Police; Mr. J. P. Orr, Chairman of the Bombay Improvement Trust; Herr Heyer, Consul for Germany in Bombay; Mr. J. Sanders Slater; the Rev. Father Stein ; Mr. H. Rickards, Agent, G.I. P. Railway; Mr. F. Gadney, Deputy Commissioner of Police; Mr. F. Vincent, Deputy Commissioner of Police ; Mr. Muirhead, Mr. A. C. Rumboll, General Traffic Manager, G. I. P. Railway, Mr. Lambert, Deputy Traffic Manager and others.

Mr. F. H. Vincent, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bombay, who has been placed on special duty in charge of his Imperial Highness' train in the journey through the Bombay Presidency, travelled in charge of the 'special.' Mr. Vincent will travel as far as Wadi and will again join the Crown Prince's train from that station to Godhra on his Imperial Highness's return journey.

During his ride yesterday morning with Lieutenant von Zobelltiz, Mr. Watson, Private Secretary and Captain Drummond, A.-D.-C. his Imperial Highness was in danger of being injured by a runaway horse. The Prince endeavoured to catch the rein, but the runaway eluded him. The Prince then followed the animal until he cornered it near Church-Gate station after a half-mile gallop and ultimately captured it and returned it to its grateful owner.

PRESENTATIONS.

Major J. G. Greig, Military Secretary to H. E. the Governor, Mr. S. M. Edwardes, Commissioner of Police, Superintendent Williamson of the D. Division and Inspector Walker, who were on duty at Government House during the Prince's stay, were yesterday presented to the Crown Prince at his Imperial Highness' desire. His Imperial Highness, to show his appreciation of the excellent management made at Government House, presented a jewelled cigarette case to Major Greig. Mr. S. M. Edwardes was presented with a gold pin with a ruby in the centre, a gold crown at the top and the letter W. in diamonds at the bottom. Superintendent Williamson and Inspector Walker were each presented with a gold medal with a special ribbon.

Superintendent Williamson's medal is of the Order of the Red Eagle, has a crown on the top and a cross underneath with a spread ragle in the centre and has an orange and white ribbon attached to it. On the reverse in the letter W. Inspector Walker's medal is of the Order of the Crown and is similar to the one presented to Superintendent Williamson except that it has a crown in place of the spread eagle and is to be worn with a blue ribbon.

Mr. D. B. Dinshaw, of the Bombay Fine Art Gallery, Esplanade Road, Bombay, had the honour of a command from Government House from His Imperial Highness the Crown Prince of Germany today to show His Highness Indian Workes of Art from his picture gallery and was further honoured by a command to attend the following day for further orders. The orders are mostly for Indian subjects in water colour and Indian views.

SANYASI CONVICTED OF SEDITION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

The Deputy Magistrate of Malda, Eastern Bengal, has convicted one, Surendra Nath Adhikari, of sedition and sentenced him to two years' rigorous imprisonment. The accused was living temporarily in the village, and was seen going about the neighbourhood in the garb of a Sanyasi collecting subscriptions for starting a national school there.

It was alleged that from there the accused addressed a packet containing several seditious pamphlets to a student of the Malda Zilla School. The Magistrate found that the accused used to preach the rules of a secret society and to collect subscriptions to defray the costs of that society.

VOLUNTEER OFFICER DECORATED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, DEC. 15.

At the inspection of Moulmein Volunteer Rifles on Sunday, General Campbell invested Captain Dawn with the Volunteer Officer's decoration medal and Reservist Dan[illegible] a medal for long service and good [illegible]

The Inspector General leaves for [illegible] on Monday.

LATEST FROM HOME.

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK.

LONDON, Dec. 2.

ARGENTINA.

The British naval officers left Buenos Aires on Saturday after a visit which was made the occasion for a striking demonstration of Anglo-Argentine friendship. Mr. Townley, the British Minister, has laid the foundation-stone of the British monument presented to Argentina on the occasion of the centenary of her independence. "The English" said the Minister of the Interior, "speaking at the ceremony, gave us an example of liberty, toleration, and progress."

AUSTRALIA.

BULLFINCH.

The Bullfinch Railway Bill has passed the third reading in both Houses of the Western Australian Parliament. The Government, it is officially stated, is actively pushing forward the water supply from Southern Cross to Bullfinch.

CHINA.

FAMINE IN ANHUI.

A famine is reported in Northern Anhui by which three million persons are affected. It extends over a wider area than the famine of 1907, but at present is less severe. The Governor of the province is making an appeal for both local and foreign assistance, and the formation of a Chinese organization for raising relief funds is mooted.

THE ASSEMBLY.

The Assembly met in secret session of Wednesday, and, after some debate, adopted a memorial address to the Throne stating that the Grand Council had formed in the Chieslang Period and that its powers were now undefined, and that unless its members were made answerable to the people the formation of a responsible Cabinet was essential. Another memorial to the Throne was drawn up petitioning that Chang Yeu-Mon, the original "concessionnaire" of the Kaiping Mines, should be made responsible for their restoration to China.

CRETE.

The Porte has addressed a circular to the four protecting Powers drawing attention to the opening of the Cretan National Assembly in the name of the King of the Hellenes and to the affirmation of the union of Crete with Greece. The circular remarks that while it is realized that the action of the Cretans is null and void, nevertheless it constitutes a fresh slight against Turkish sovereign rights and threatens to perpetuate the abnormal situation which, the Porte suggests, the Powers should take steps to remove.

ECUADOR.

Our Madrid Correspondent learns that in consequence of Ecuador deciding against arbitration in the boundary dispute with Peru the King of Spain has resolved to renounce his functions as arbitrator.

EGYPT.

The Egyptian Budget for 1911 estimates the receipts at £E15,500,000 compared with £E15,350,000 in 1910, the ordinary expenses at £E14,275,000 and the special expenses at £E725,000, the total expenditure being £E15,000,000, as against £E15,150,000 in 1910. The estimated surplus is therefore £E500,000, as against £E200,000 in 1910.

FRANCE.

THE STRIKE MURDER.

Sentence of death passed at Rouen open Durand, a Labour leader, for instigating the murder of a "blackleg" at Havre has aroused fierce resentment among the revolutionary trade unions. The associated trade unions of the Seine have issued a number of placards throughout Paris protesting against the sentence and calling a meeting on Saturday next in the St. Paul Riding School for the purpose of considering the proclamation of a general strike.

GERMANY.

THE NEW ARMY BILL.

The Berlin "Lokalanzeiger" has been provided with a summary of the forthcoming Bill for increasing the strength of the German Army. The present strength of the peace footing of the Army, which was fixed in 1905, at 505,839 men, will be gradually increased during the new quinquennate until in 1915 it reaches 515,321 men. The cost of the increases is estimated for the whole period of five years at £1,090,000 of recurring and £4,120,000 of non-recurring expenditure, or a total of £5,210,000.

GREECE.

ATTEMPT ON THE PREMIER.

An unsuccessful attempt was made on Monday to wreck the special train in which M. Venezelos was travelling from Trikkala to Volo.

ITALY.

The Chamber of Deputies reassembled on Tuesday after the long vacation. Two of the principal measures announced are those for ameliorating the position of minor 'employes' in the post office and railway services, which will entail altogether an additional annual expenditure of £1,000,000. It is supposed that an electoral Reform Bill will also be presented before Christmas.

NEW ZEALAND.

MR. HINE'S CHARGES.

The Select Committee of the House inquiring into Mr. Hine's charges finds that Mr. Symes while a member of Parliament accepted a gift of £300 from the vendor of an estate sold to the Government and also accepted payment for the collection of moneys voted to petitioner by Parliament. The Committee finds both actions improper. It is also shown that Mr. Major, while a member of Parliament, acting as agent for the vendor, received £300 as commission on the sale of an estate to the Government. The charges against Mr. Macdonald, member of the Legislative Council, are found unproved.

PORTUGAL.

REVOLT AT MACAO.

A revolt has broken out among the soldiers and sailors at the Portuguese colony of Macao. The troops broke into the armoury, took possession of arms and ammunition, and marched to Government House, where they demanded redress of grievances, increased pay, the expulsion of the religious orders, and the suppression of the journal "Vida Nova." The last two demands were granted.

THE RECRUITING OF NATIVES IN ANGOLA..

The Governor-General of Angola has decided that henceforth the recruiting of natives in that colony for the Sao Thome cocoa plantations shall be entrusted to Government officials, instead of being left to private recruiting agents.

RUSSIA.

TOLSTOY'S WILL.

Count Tolstoy's will was proved at Tula on Monday. It bequeaths all his literary property to his youngest daughter Alexandra or, in the event of her death, to Tatiana, who is married to M. Soukhotin. It is understood that Countess Alexandra will, in obedience to her father's wish, sell the rights of the first edition in order to buy out Yasnaya Poliana from the family—the price would be about £50,000—and divide its 2,500 acres among the peasants. The copyright will then become public property. Neither the sons nor Countess Tolstoy are said to have been mentioned in the will. Tolstoy's son Leo, in a letter to the 'Novoe Vremya,' accuses M. Tchertkoff of having been the evil genius of the Tolstoy household and the direct author of Tolstoy's flight and death.

TOLSTOY AND THE DEATH PENALTY.

Tolstoy's last article published on Saturday is a protest against the death penalty. One remedy alone, Tolstoy maintains, can prove efficacious—to instil into the minds of men the knowledge of man and his destiny and the need for justifying their own acts.

DEMONSTRATIONS.

Thirteen members of the Central Trade Union's committee at Petersburg have been arrested on a charge of attempting to organize a workmen's demonstration against capital punishment.

Student demonstrations against the death penalty took place in various streets and squares in Moscow on Sunday. The gathering were dispersed by the troops and mounted police, and 181 arrested.

GREAT STORM IN THE CASPIAN.

Sixteen vessels have been wrecked in a storm in the Caspian Sea, and 300 wharf hands, swept away with the landing-stage at Astrakhan, have perished.

SOMALILAND.

THE MULLAH.

The Mullah has attacked eight villages occupied by friendlies and has carried off their women, children and cattle.

SOUTH AFRICA.

THE BUDGET.

The South African Budget for the ten months ending March 31, 1911, provides for an expenditure of £[illegible], with an estimated revenue of £[illegible]. It is proposed to meet the deficit by taking the railway surplus of £1,230,000, and by imposing a ten per cent. profit tax on diamond mines.

SPAIN.

KING ALFONSO.

It is announced that Dr. Moure, of Bordeaux, has performed a slight operation upon King Alfonso with entirely satisfactory results.

TURKEY.

THE REVOLT IN ALBANIA.

The Albanian revolt in the neighbourhood of the Montenegrin frontier is assuming somewhat serious dimensions. Eight thousand Albanians are said to be under arms near Dibra.

UNITED STATES.

RACING INTERESTS AND LEGISLATION.

The banker August Belmont, representative of the racing interests of New York, giving evidence on Tuesday at the legislative "graft" inquiry, declared to be mythical the story of the existence of a £100,000 bribery fund to defeat Governor Hughes's racetrack measure. He admitted that he had been at a dinner where legitimate steps for opposition to the Bill had been discussed, with the result that many racing men were able to express their opposition at Albany.

FIRE IN NEW JERSEY.

Twenty-eight lives were lost in a fire which broke out at Newark, New Jersey, last Saturday, at the factory of the Newark Paperbox Company. Nearly all these killed worked on the fourth floor, where the firemen, in examining the ruins came upon a number of women and girls who had evidently been burned to death while crowding to the window leading to the fire-escape. The escape was rendered useless soon after the fire started owing to a rush of flames from the lower floor.

ACTION AGAINST THE SUGAR TRUST.

The United States District Attorney acting under the direction of the Attorney-General, has filled in the Federal District Court a petition asking for the dissolution of the American Sugar Refining Company and 29 other corporations composing the Sugar Trust. This is the beginning of one of the Government's most important anti-trust cases. The capital of the defendant companies aggregates £46,000,000.

LORD CURZON ON UNIVERSITIES.

Lord Curzon of Kedleston, Lord Rector of Glasgow University, presided on Nov. 25 at a dinner of the Glasgow University Club, London, at the Gaiety Restaurant, Strant, and proposed the toast, "The University and the Club." He said :—

The tie which united all of them that evening was social, academic, amicable, non-partisan, non-combatant in every sense of the term. His claim to be with them was that for the time being he filled the post of Lord Rector of their University. (Cheers.) Mr. Disraeli, in one of his novels, spoke of a somewhat obscure Prime Minister of previous times as a transient and embarrassed phantom. A transient phantom a Lord Rector necessarily must be; an embarrassed phantom he certainly was in the early part of the present year. (Laughter.) Fortunately the local disturbance which was responsible for that condition of affairs had since settled down, and he claimed that he was a happy, if transient phantom that night. (Cheers.) It was a high honour to any man to be elected Lord Rector of a Scottish University, because he owed that distinction to the students of a great educational institution. This led him to confess to a feeling of bewilderment as to why it was that in our public system politicians were always called upon to deliver Rectorial addresses. His own theory was that it was merely an illustration of the topsy-turvy system and principle that prevailed in the whole of our public life. They took an eminent lawyer and philosopher and made him Secretary of State for War (laughter) —and a very good Secretary of State for War he believed he was—(laughter and cheers)—they took a solicitor and placed him in charge of the national finances—(laughter)—and he executed that responsible trust with greater or less ability and success according to the views of those regarding the operation. (Laughter.) He was not going to offer an explanation of this inscrutable problem; but he saw at the table below him Mr. Harold Cox, whose absence from public life was a source of regret to every patriotic citizen in this country. (Cheers.) They hoped he would return; but meanwhile he suggested this subject as a matter on which he might reflect and if he would afterwards give him his notes he felt quite disposed, with due acknowledgments, to make that problem the subject of his Rectorial address. The main source of pride to a Lord Rector was that during his term of office he felt he was brought in contact with an important section of the youth of the country was perhaps able to do for something of the ideals and aspirations by which they were moved, and to drink once again at the fountain which fed his own youth. (Cheers.) As Lord Rector of Glasgow University he felt that he was connected with one of the best equipped and most strenuous institutions that occupied the field of learning in any part of the United Kingdom. It is wanted illustrations of that proposition they would not be difficult to find in the names of principals, professors, and students. Their medical and science schools were among the best in the world, and he offered them a passing word of congratulation upon the manner in which they had solved—alone, so far as he knew—the feminine problem. (Laughter and cheers.) They heard a good deal nowadays of the distinction between the old and new Universities, and a distinction was often pushed much beyond the point which was justified by the mere difference in the antiquity of their foundations.

It was the greatest mistake to suggest that there was rivalry between these two types of institutions. The older Universities could not cover the whole field, and those who spoke for them regarded nothing with greater pleasure than the creation of a new University. Each type gave a system of education which was necessarily different; each turned out a separate type of scholar and man. In Scotland, however, they had not got this contrast and diversity in functions, and their four Universities held the field in an unassailed and impregnable position, supplying all that was required both in the older and newer learning. The feature of which they had most reason to be proud in their Scottish Universities was that they had a great and cherished system of common life and the friendships that it engendered, with the opportunities for the formation of character that it gave and with the ideals and aspirations which there found their natural home. It was to keep alive the fact and the memory of this common life that he believed the University Club existed, and from that point of view he was sure that was no "alumnus" of Glasgow and no citizen of Scotland who would not wish to it long life and success. (Cheers.)

INDIANS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

MR. RITCH has addressed the following letter to the All-Moslem League:—

I have been working day and night since my arrival in South Africa. You will be interested to learn that the communities are bent upon maintaining the struggle. Another death has lately occurred through the heartless conduct of the Minister and his officers. The unhappy deportees (all lawfully domiciled in South Africa, five of them boys born here, and mostly with wives and families in Johannesburg) have been tossed from port to port and refused admission at each. They have a good claim to land and test the legality of their deportation, for they do not produce their certificates and were deported administratively and without trial. The authorities refuse them this penteal right however, and they have been subjected to shameful neglect on the vessels on to which they have been transhipped from time to time, and one man, Narayan Swamy, who was ill when rejected at this port, has now died. I myself witnessed the exposure of this man and those of whom he formed a member. They were left almost foodless in Table-Bay for a week, without foot or head coverings and the scantiest of clothing (their clothes had been stolen in Delagoa Bay), yet the Immigration Officer refused me and others access to them until the day before they were sent away, and then only after an application had been made to the Court. The whole of the business is shameful beyond words. I am not suprised that Indian loyalty is strained to breaking point when such things are possible under the Union Jack. I know how I should feel if India were my Motherland. The virus is spreading into the Cape Colony.

Mahommedan merchants are losing their trading business because they are Indians. Lawfully domiciled Indians who are absent in India for a while are not allowed to return. They must have permits to allow them to come back. One man in business stayed a few days over time and was refused permission to land.

THE GENERAL ELECTION.

Dissolution of Parliament.

The King came from Windsor Castle to London on the morning of Monday, Nov. 28, and held Councils at which his Majesty signed Proclamations proroguing and dissolving Parliament. Parliament was prorogued after the Royal Assent had been given to various Acts of Parliament and the King's Speech read. The House of Commons met at noon, but transacted no business before the Prorogation.

The Royal Proclamation dissolving Parliament was read on the steps of the Royal Exchange on Nov. 29 at eleven o'clock by Lieut-Col. Kearns the Common Cryer and Serjeant-at-Arms of the City of London, who was escorted by officers of the City Police. There were very few members of the general public present as the fog was somewhat dense and the hoarding in front of the steps prevented people from observing that anything unusual was in progress. At the close of the reading three cheers, were given for the King.

An Order in Council is published in the "Gazette," ordering the Lord Chancellor of Great Britain and the Lord Chancellor of Ireland to cause Writs to be issued for the calling of the new Parliament to meet at the City of Westminster on Tuesday, Jan. 31.

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I note with satisfaction the liberity with which you have provided for the requirements of the year, including the increase grants for the Navy and additional expenditure upon Old Age Pensions consequent upon the removal of the pauper disqualification at the close of the present year.

I thank you for the arrangements you have made for the maintainance of the honour and dignity of the Crown.

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I regret that the Conference which took place with a view to arriving at a solution of the recurring difficulties between the two Houses of Parliament has failed to come to an agreement.

I am gratified that you have passed into law the Acts dealing with the Regency, and the form of the Declaration required to be made by the Sovereign on his Accession.

I thank you for the zeal with which you have carried out your duties, and I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your labours.

At the conclusion of the Speech, the Royal Commission for the prorogation of Parliament, was read and the Lord Chancellor said :—By virtue of his Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal to us and other lords directed, and now read, we do, in his Majesty's name and in obedience to his commands, prorogue this Parliament to Thursday, the 15th day of December next, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday, the 15th day of December, 1910.

The Speaker made obeisance and withdrew with the rest of the Commons present, and the Session came to a close at half-past twelve o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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The Speaker took the Chair, at seven minutes past noon. At this hour there were about twenty members present. Almost as soon as the Speaker had taken the Chair, Black Rod appeared at the door, and presently in front of the table in the centre of the House, to ask for the attendance of hon. members in the House of Lords to hear the Royal Commission read. The Speaker, accompanied by the Clerk (Sir Courtenay Ilbert), the Serjeant-at-Arms, the Chaplain, the Treasurer present and the general body of members left the House in obedience to the summons.

The Speaker returned to the House at twenty-five minutes past twelve o'clock and reported that the Royal Assent had been given to the Appropriation (No. 2) Act and other Acts.

His Majesty's Speech was thereafter read to the House by the Speaker. Then came the customary hand-shanking and "good-bye" as the Minsters and Hon. Members present filled past the Chair occupied by the Speaker at the table.

The proceedings came to an end at half-past twelve o'clock.

MR. O'BRIEN'S CAMPAIGN.

The scope of Mr. O'Brien's campaign has not hitherto been fully understood, says the Dublin correspondent of the "Globe" on Nov. 29. "To-day it is announced that no fewer than twenty-five seats are to be contested. These are in Cork, Mayo, Limerick, Tipperary, Monaghan, and even one in Dublin, namely, the Harbour Division, to which Mr. William Abraham was elected after his defeat in North-East Cork. Two things are obvious from this announcement : Mr. O'Brien must be well supplied with funds, and Mr. Redmond will have to disburse a good many American dollars to resist this onslaught. It is further announced that Mr. William Redmond, who is contesting Cork City against Mr. O'Brien, will, in addition to his fight there, have to fight for his seat in Clare, where he has usually been given a walk-over. The 'All-for-Irelanders' propose to put up a candidate against him. A similar attention is to be paid to Mr. Hazleton in North Galway by way of recognation of his bearing the standard against Mr. Healy in North Louth. The feeling now is that Mr. O'Brien will retain the ten seats which he has hitherto had, and that he will win five new ones in the contests now opening. This is regarded as a minimum estimate, which may easily be improved upon, but taking the minimum, the loss to Redmondism will most seriously damage the Dictator's position in the new Parliament."

ELECTION ADDRESSES.

MR. BALFOUR.

The following is the text of Mr. Balfour's election address:—

"To the Liverymen and other Electors of the City of London.

"Gentlemen,—In less than a year since the last General Election the Government has resolved again to appeal to the country. They have selected the season at which the register least accurately represents the constituencies, and which is most inconvenient to trade; and have done so without the excuse of a Parliamentary defeat in either House, and with no visible breach in the strange coalition of parties which keeps them in office.

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In my Indian Empire, further effect has been given to the scheme of administrative reform authorized by the Indian Councils Act of 1909, by the creation of an Executive Council for the Province of Bengal,

"Gentlemen of the House of Commons."

I note with satisfaction the liberity with which you have provided for the requirements of the year, including the increase grants for the Navy and additional expenditure upon Old Age Pensions consequent upon the removal of the pauper disqualification at the close of the present year.

I thank you for the arrangements you have made for the maintainance of the honour and dignity of the Crown.

"My Lords, and Gentlemen."

I regret that the Conference which took place with a view to arriving at a solution of the recurring difficulties between the two Houses of Parliament has failed to come to an agreement.

I am gratified that you have passed into law the Acts dealing with the Regency, and the form of the Declaration required to be made by the Sovereign on his Accession.

I thank you for the zeal with which you have carried out your duties, and I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your labours.

At the conclusion of the Speech, the Royal Commission for the prorogation of Parliament, was read and the Lord Chancellor said :—By virtue of his Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal to us and other lords directed, and now read, we do, in his Majesty's name and in obedience to his commands, prorogue this Parliament to Thursday, the 15th day of December next, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday, the 15th day of December, 1910.

The Speaker made obeisance and withdrew with the rest of the Commons present, and the Session came to a close at half-past twelve o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Monday, Nov. 28.

The Speaker took the Chair, at seven minutes past noon. At this hour there were about twenty members present. Almost as soon as the Speaker had taken the Chair, Black Rod appeared at the door, and presently in front of the table in the centre of the House, to ask for the attendance of hon. members in the House of Lords to hear the Royal Commission read. The Speaker, accompanied by the Clerk (Sir Courtenay Ilbert), the Serjeant-at-Arms, the Chaplain, the Treasurer present and the general body of members left the House in obedience to the summons.

The Speaker returned to the House at twenty-five minutes past twelve o'clock and reported that the Royal Assent had been given to the Appropriation (No. 2) Act and other Acts.

His Majesty's Speech was thereafter read to the House by the Speaker. Then came the customary hand-shanking and "good-bye" as the Minsters and Hon. Members present filled past the Chair occupied by the Speaker at the table.

The proceedings came to an end at half-past twelve o'clock.

MR. O'BRIEN'S CAMPAIGN.

The scope of Mr. O'Brien's campaign has not hitherto been fully understood, says the Dublin correspondent of the "Globe" on Nov. 29. "To-day it is announced that no fewer than twenty-five seats are to be contested. These are in Cork, Mayo, Limerick, Tipperary, Monaghan, and even one in Dublin, namely, the Harbour Division, to which Mr. William Abraham was elected after his defeat in North-East Cork. Two things are obvious from this announcement : Mr. O'Brien must be well supplied with funds, and Mr. Redmond will have to disburse a good many American dollars to resist this onslaught. It is further announced that Mr. William Redmond, who is contesting Cork City against Mr. O'Brien, will, in addition to his fight there, have to fight for his seat in Clare, where he has usually been given a walk-over. The 'All-for-Irelanders' propose to put up a candidate against him. A similar attention is to be paid to Mr. Hazleton in North Galway by way of recognation of his bearing the standard against Mr. Healy in North Louth. The feeling now is that Mr. O'Brien will retain the ten seats which he has hitherto had, and that he will win five new ones in the contests

citizens of Edinburgh, including the Dean of faculty, the Vice-Dean, and many of the leading members of the Scottish Bar, the Presidents of the Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons, the President of the Royal Scottish Academy, leading writers to the Signet, solicitors and chartered accountants, the leading members of the Stock Exchange, directors, managers, and secretaries of banks and insurance companies and of other public companies, by town councillors, by the Master of the Merchants' Company and many other merchants, and by clerks, shopkeepers, and working men. It is, in fact, widely representative of all classes of the citizens of Edinburgh excepting Radicals, Socialists, and Irish Nationalists, who have not been asked to sign. Many of the business men who have signed ordinarily take no part in politics.

LORD CURZON AND MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

Mr. Lloyd George was kind enough sometimes to single him out for special attention. He could not say that he regarded it as a high honour, but neither on the other hand, had it caused him the slightest distress. If they were walking in the streets and some mud from gutter was splashed up on their clothes all they had to do was to wait till it dried and brush it off again. (Loud cheers.) He could only say two things about himself before he passed on. Though he belonged to the House of Peers, he would be willing to put the working hours of his life, such at it had been, into the scales against Mr. Lloyd George, and he did not think that they would strike the beam. (Cheers.) The second thing he would say was that he would rather cut off his right hand and use such small abilities as he might possess than go about deceiving and deluding his fellow-countrymen, poisoning their minds, and preaching to them the doctrines which were not merely averse to social order, but meant anarchy and civil war. That was all he had to say about the Chancellor of the Exhequer. (Laughter.) He would prefer to adopt the more temperate style of the Prime Minister but they must remember that when the Prime Minister came there and asked them in a reasonable way to give him their support and they did so, they were really giving their votes, not to him, but to the policy and party which domineered over the Prime Minister.

"ULSTER WILL FIGHT."

Writing from Belfast on Nov. 29, the correspondent of the "Times" says :—

It is stated to-day on good authority that the delegates from the Ulster constituencies to the Ulster Unionist Council, which met in private in Belfast before the opening of the campaign in Ulster, decided unanimously to resist by force Home Rule should it be forced into law by any radical or coalition Government of Nationalists and Socialists. It was decided not to pay taxes to any Parliament set up in Dublin ; and, as the danger was immminent, a fund was inaugurated for the provision of arms of defence to be kept in readiness in case the loyalists of Ireland had to fight for their liberties. A subscription list was opened, and it is stated that £10,000 was promised by the delegates present. A sub-committee was appointed to carry out these objects and was ordered to report to the Council.

The actual resolutions have not been published as the meeting was held strictly in private, but it is pointed out that this decision to fight a Home Rule Parliament is simply seconded in the terms of the resolutions passed at the great Unionist demonstration held in the Ulster Hall. The last resolution was couched in the following significant terms :—

"That we emphatically reaffirm and wholeheartdly subscribe to the principles of the resolution unanimously adopted by 12,000 Ulstermen assembled in the Ulster Convention, and in particular to the following paragraph thereof:—"That we declare to the people of Great Britain our conviction that the attempt to set up such a Parliament in Ireland will inevitably result in disorder, violence, and bloodshed such as have not been experienced in this country; and announce our resolve to take no part in the election or the proceedings of such a Parliament, the authority of which should it ever be constituted, we shall be forced to repudiate'; and we finally declare that we feel ourselves justified in resorting to any means that may be found necessary to enable us to preserve unimpaired our equal citizenship in the United Kingdom."

At frequent meetings through the north of Ireland emphatic statements have been made by prominents speakers announcing resistance by force, but no actual steps have been taken as yet to procure arms in quantities, although very sensational stories have been published regarding what has been termed the Orange religion. One thing is certain ; Unionist associations through Ulster have never been in such a state of perfect organisation as at present.

MR. BALFOUR AT THE ALBERT HALL.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, leader of the Unionist Party, addressed a memorable mass meeting in the Albert Hall on Nov. 29. On the appearance of their chief at the further end of the hall the whole vast audience waved programmes and cheered vociferously while he made his way across the arena to the platform. Mr. Walter Long opened the meeting, and said that they were gathered to assure their leader that he had behind him in the great contest which they were now commencing a party absolutely united, confident, and enthusiastic.

Mr. Balfour received a deafening ovation when he rose to speak, and was on his feet some minutes before he was allowed to begin his speech. He said:—

"Everybody knows that the constitutional revolution with which this Government is threatening you is not a revolution based upon the wants or the needs, of the inhabitants of England, of Scotland, of Wales, of the North of Ireland, and of many Irishmen elsewhere. (Cheers.) It is based upon the needs of one particular section in Ireland. (Cheer)

What do our Radical friends say to the referendum he asked later. They are horribly embarrassed. The referendum does not mean any disadvantage. It does not involve a general election. It does not carry with it a change of Government, and it does get a clear verdict from the people. I should have thought that when this method of dealing with a deadlock or difference of opinion between the two Houses of Parliament was once proposed the whole Radical Party would have said 'Here at last is our idea of Government by the people and for the people clearly carried into effect'. Not a bit of it. With one consent they all began to make excuses. Every kind of reason is found for not thinking it expedient that the people should be too often or too conveniently consulted. The first of these excuses, the first of these objections is the process is so expensive. (Laughter.) And the most fantastic figures have been put forward by a very fantastic dealer in figures—(laughter and cries of "Name")—and we have been told that it will cost two millions sterling. I do not believe that necessary expense would exceed £200,000. I do not say that £200,000 is to be lightly squandered, but please remember that the Government, who are so nervous about this expenditure in order to consult the people, have given formal notice that they mean to give payment to members of Parliament, which would come to more than £200,000 every year. The Liberals try to put us in a hole by saying : Will you refer Tariff Reform to a referendum ?'

TARIFF REFORM REFERENDUM.

"If Tariff Reform is anything, Tariff Reform is a great national and imperial policy. (Cheers.) That is what I believe it to be, and I am perfectly willing on a fitting occasion, perfectly willing to submit it, to the judgment of my country. I do not know what view will be taken of the manner in which I have accepted the challenge of our political opponents. They ought to say : 'Well, you have consented that Tariff Reform, the principles of Tariff Reform shall be made the subject of a referendum. We agree that if you do that Home Rule shall be made the subject of a referendum.' (Cheers.)

TAXATION OF COTTON.

Mr. Churchil speaking at Manchester on Nov. 15 said he was told that Mr. Bonar Law was now opposed to a tax upon raw cotton. That was something so far as it went. The Lancashire atmosphere was telling already. (Laughter.) But why be so thoroughly against an import duty upon raw cotton if these duties were paid by the foreigner ? (Laughter.) Cotton in the main came from America where the dollars come from. (Laughter.) Were they really going to be the slaves of dollardictated cotton? (Laughter.) Cotton was now to be classed with their old friend maize, as a commodity on which the foreigner was disinclined to pay the tax which he was so willing to pay on others. Cotton was classed by Tariff Reformers with the food of pigs. (Laughter.)

As cotton was four-fifths an export trade. Lancashire needed no protection in the home market, and no protection could be given her. Any increase in the cost of living or in the cost of production must affect our competitive power in foreign and neutral markets. (Cheers). Any addition to prices must affect the consuming power in all our Oriental markets. We could not become Protectionists ourselves and then keep India a Free-trade country by the force of British baynots, and the first step that would follow the adoption of Protection would be a tariff against Lancashire cotton goods. (Cheers.)

MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

Mr. Lloyd George delivered a speech at Edinburgh on Nov. 26, attacking the Lords in his notorious Limehouse style. Here are a few of his flowers of rhetoric:—

Why should the House of Lords imagine you are unfit to form a sound business-life opinion as to the laws which you require in this country? Why should you be unfit to govern your affairs without the direction of, let us say, Lord St. John of Bletsoe? Who is Lord St. John of Bletsoe? I do not know. I only looked up the names in Dod's of the people who are governing you and governing us. I saw that as a likely name. This gentleman, whom nobody knows very much about—I have no doubt he is a very useful citizen in his way—has more influence in the Government of Scotland than the 5,000 inhabitants of this part of the world who are here in front of me. There are scores among them who would never have earned a living in any trade or profession that required mental exertion. I want to be perfectly fair to them, and yet these men who have really no gift for the position that the State has assigned to them, these men sit in judgment daily on the chosen representatives of forty-five millions of people. You may demand by seven to one laws and reform in Scotland. These men deny you. They have no gift for it ; they have no qualification at all for the power which they arrogate, there is no defence for it except in snobbery.

The great champion of this doctrine that rank and heredity count without merit is Lord Curzon. You know his famous dogma—the best work in the world is being done by aristocracy. He evidently does not think much of the Christian religion. He would have thought more of it if it had been propagated not by twelve Galilean fishermen, but by a dozen dukes.

The manna is strewn plenteously on their path through life, and others gather it form them. From the cradle to the grave all is found for them. As Mr. Chamberlain once said, they "toil not neither do they spin," except those who indulge in the caprice of a lonely furrow. Even that furrow is never driven straight. And they do not sow, they do not reap, they do not mill the golden grain, they do not convert it into bread. They meet it first when it is daintily spread on their tables. I don't say a word about them except this—the brilliance of the sunshine of their lives blinds them to the squalor around them.

ATTACK ON MR. CHURCHILL.

Mr. Winston Churchill was attacked by a man with a dog-whip on Saturday evening, Nov. 26, during his return from Bradford, where he had been speaking. While the train was passing Newark Mr. Churchill was walking through the corridor to the dining-car when, it is alleged, a third-class passenger jumped up and, shouting "Take that, you cur," struck at him with a dog-whip. Two detectives, who were in attendance on the Home Secretary, were sitting in the same compartment as the man, and he was promptly overpowered. He gave the name of Hugh Franklin, of Pembridge Gardens, Nothing Hill, and said he was a suffragist. When the train reached King's Cross Mr. Churchill was mobbed by some women on the platform. One tried to hit him but only knocked his hat off. The women were seized, but Mr. Churchill ordered their release.

At Bow Street Police Court on Nov. 28 Franklin was charged with assaulting Mr. Churchill by attempting to strike him with a whip in a carriage on the Great Northern Railway. Evidence of the assault was given by a Scotland Yard detective, and the prisoner was remanded. He applied for bail, but the magistrate refused it.

THE 'WELLCOME' PHOTOGRAPHIC EXPOSURE RECORD.

Information about photography in order to be of real service to the practical worker must be quickly available, expressed in the simplest terms and capable of being carried about by fen, field or fjord or wherever a restless spirit and a desire to collect interesting prints may take the camerist and his camera. A pocket book in hand is worth two encyclopoedias on the bookshelf when one is far from home and puzzled by a difficulty about exposure or in doubt as to the factor of a plate. This is perhaps one of the reasons why the Wellcome Exposure Record and Diary continues year after year to hold its place in the affections of photographers all over the world. It is essentially a book for the pocket and is the most handy ep

STEAMSHIP SERVICES TO PERSIA.

Hamburg-American Intentions.

Attention has lately been attracted by a report issued by a semi-official agency in Berlin that the Hamburg-American Line is about to extent and consolidate its service to Persia, and that with this object in view the company has purchased the British steamers "Turkistan" and "Gorjistan." The exact significance of this announcement, says the "Times," is not quite understood in English shipping circles. In the first place the principal imports of Persia are Manchester goods, and the transport of these and other British manufactures is mainly provided for by a fortnightly service maintained by F. C. Strick and Co. (Limited) and the Bucknall Lines, while the West Hartlepool Steam Navigation Company also despatch vessels to the Persian Gulf. So little hold have German manufactures got in the trade that the steamers of the Hamburg-American Line chiefly carry sugar from Antwerp.

Persian exports are principally dates, rough wool, galls for dyeing, and a low-class barley. The trade in dates and the boxes in which they are packed has increased enormously of recent years both with Europe and the United States of America, and the Hamburg-American Line has taken a hand in this business, but has experienced such difficulty in getting full cargoes homeward that calls on the West Coast of India have been customary. It is believed that the results of this company's service to Persia have been very indifferent, but the feeling among British shipowners is that so thorough is the German Government support that it is perfectly possible for the German companies to persevere in trades in which British shipowners, unsupported, would have to acknowledge defeat.

Secondly, the steamers "Turkistan" and "Gorjistan" were not built for the trade with the Persian Gulf. Though lately owned by F. C. Strick and Co., they were employed in the Indian service, because owing to the difficulties of the bar at Bussorah, steamers about a thousand tons smaller are considered suitable. The "Turkistan" and "Gorjistan" have each a gross tonnage of 4,500 and a deadweight carrying capacity of 7,150 tons. Vessels employed in the British services are such as the new steamers "Balkan" and "Segistan," with a gross tonnage of nearly 3,300 tons and a deadweight carrying capacity of 5,000 tons. Among German vessels engaged in the trade is the 'Cheruskia,' of 3,200 tons, while the 'Nicomedia,' it is true, is nearly 4,100 tons gross. When the "Turkistan" and "Gorgistan" were bought from their British owners it was fully understood that they were intended for the West Indian service, but should it now be the intention of their new owners to put them into the Persian Gulf trade the deduction from the facts stated above is that it is in traffic with ports on the route rather than in the Gulf itself that British shipowners may expect fresh competition.

AVIATION.

GOLD MEDAL FOR MR. GRAHAME-WHITE.

Mr. C. Grahame-White, who is on his way home from America, has been awarded the special gold medal of the Aerial League of the British Empire, which is given only for work or achievements of exceptional merit. This is the second gold medal award made by the society, the first having been gained by the late Hon. C. S. Rolls.

RECORD FLIGHT WITH A PASSENGER.

Lieut. Maillols, carrying as his passenger Ensign Delage, has beaten the previous record for a non-stop flight with a passenger by flying on Nov. 26 from Stampes to Blois and back a distance of about 127 miles, in three hours and a quarter. Lieut. Maillols has thus qualified for the Lazare Weiller prize offered to the military officer who by Dec. 31, 1910, shall have made the longest non-stop flight starting and finishing at the same place.

LONG FLIGHT BY A WOMAN.

At Chalons, on Nov. 27, Mlle. Marvingt accomplished a flight of fifty-three minutes on a biplane the longest flight hitherto achieved by a woman. Mlle Marvingt was the first woman to cross the Channel from France to England in a balloon, a feat which she performed last year in difficult circumstances.

A SOLDIER'S FINE FLIGHT.

The progress which is being made by representatives of the Army in the study of flying was illustrated on Nov. 29 by a splendid cross-country flight which was accomplished by Lieut. R. T. Snowden Smith, of the Army Service Corps. He is a pupil of M. Blondeau, the instructor at Brooklands, and he made his flight in the school Farman biplane. Lieut. Snowden-Smith left Brooklands at about half-past eight in the morning and flew to Aldershot where he arrived soon after nine o'clock. The biplane when first seen at Aldershot was travelling in a north-westerly direction. It flew over the Headquarters' offices, and after describing several wide circles, passing over the Long Valley in one direction and back to the Fox Hills in another, came down on the Aldershot polo ground. Lieut. Snowden-Smith left his machine under the care of a military policeman and went to the nearest hotel, where he had breakfast. After a rest of less than an hour he started on the return flight to Brooklands, which he reached at about eleven o'clock.

AERIAL NAVIGATION CONFERENCE.

Owing to serious differences of a fundamental character the Aerial Navigation Conference, which was to have reassembled on November 29 in Paris, has been adjourned "sine die." Certain Powers, including, it is said, Great Britain, desires to retain the right to close their frontiers against aerial vessels when they see fit, without any obligation to give reasons for such action.

CEYLON, MALAYA, AND JAVA.

In the course of an address on "Ceylon, the Malay States, and Java compared as Plantation and Residential Colonies" at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute at the Hotel Metropole on Nov. 29, Mr. John Ferguson said that in Java the natives were naturally indolent and unthrifty, but the Dutch planters were second to none in intelligence and in their capacity as agriculturists and in thoroughness; in fact, the latter quality might perhaps be described as more than compensating for Anglo-Saxon exertion and activity. The Government was careful to correct the natives' apathy by many methods which we might deem extraneous, such as requiring them to cultivate and in dictating the succession of crops, as well as in preventing the sale of mortgage of their family and communal lands. There was scarcely a pauper among the 37,000,000 inhabitants, and the only difficulty encountered arose from the prosperity, of the indigenous population. The difficulty, however, was thought to be put temporary. The lands were in the middle of a vast expanse of primeval forest, and the villagers in the district had, so far, their occupations and means of livelihood. Labour, however, could be attracted from elsewhere. Regarding Ceylon and the Malay States, there were experiments in course of development to increase immigration, and which might in the course of the next two or three years make a difference. He trusted that these would place the planting industries in both colonies above all danger.

GOUT.

6 YEARS CURED.

Mr. James Vick, of Avon Cottage, Batheaston near Bath, England, is well known and highly respected. He writes: "Dear Sirs,—You will remember that about three years ago I called to thank you personally for the good Doan's Backache Kidney Pills had done me. It is now nearly six years since I commenced taking Doan's Pills, and I have never had an attack of the kidney complaint from that time, although I still take a pill now and then as a safeguard, which keeps me all right.

"But for many years I suffered terribly from severe attacks of gout two or three times during each year. Since taking Doan's Backache Kidney Pills I have been entirely free from the gout, and have not suffered as I used to from the severe pains in my back. I surprise all my friends by the good health I enjoy, and I feel better now than I did forty years ago: that is saying good deal, for I am 79 years of age. My friends say I am a wonderful man to do what I do.

"I only hope my testimony will be of help to others. Yours very truly, (Signed) James Vick."

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all medicine dealers and stores at Rs. 2 per bottle, or 6 bottles for Rs. 10-8-0, or from Doan's Medicines P.O. Box 20, Bombay.

INDIA IN PARLIAMENT.

THE HYDERABAD-KARACHI RAILWAY.

In the House of Commons on Monday, November 28, Sir J. D. Rees asked the Under Secretary of State for India: Whether the Secretary of State can give the House any information regarding the proposed extension of the metre-gauge railway system from Hyderabad to Karachi.

Mr. Montagu: The Secretary of State has not recently received any direct communication from the Government of India on the subject of a metre-gauge railway connection between Hyderabad and Karachi. Proposals by a private firm for the construction of this connection were recently submitted to the Railway Board, who were unable to accept them.

THE KOTTAPAKONDA RIOT CASE.

Sir Herbert Roberts asked the Under Secretary of State for India: Whether his attention has been called to the judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Sankaran Nair, of the Madras High Court, in the Kottapakonda riot case, on August 18, 1910, and to the statement of the learned judge that it was the opening of four temporary arrack shops and one toddy shop on the occasion of a local religious festival which had led to the riots in which four or five men were killed, many wounded, and all constituted authorities set at defiance; and whether, in deference to expressions of public opinion on the subject, the licensing authorities would be instructed to withhold the granting of such special licences in future.

Mr. Montagu: The Secretary of State has seen the judgment referred to. On the riots coming to the knowledge of the Madras Government, that Government issued instructions that not more than one license for a toddy shop and one for an arrack shop should be granted in any fair or festival, however large. In smaller gatherings special licenses are usually not granted. The question was discussed and the policy of the Government explained in the Madras Legislative Council at the meeting held on April 6, 1910. The Secretary of State is not disposed to interfere in the matter.

"FAVOURED NATION CLAUSE."

How a Free Trade Heresy Operates.

One of the many useful and instructive reports issued by the Tariff Reform Commission is a memorandum dealing with the position of British trade under the operation of "the most-favoured-nation clause," in whose virtues the Free Trader usually reposes implicit faith. The evidence collected shows that a very large proportion of the trade of the United Kingdom remains unaffected by this principle of international commerce, and that in the case of the imports into five of the leading countries in the world the amount so unaffected is something like 80 per cent.

An examination of the imports from the United Kingdom into France, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Japan, and the United States shows that out of a total of £149,500,000 £121,000,000 remains unaffected by a most-favoured-nation arrangements. The remaining £28,000,000 is the maximum amount upon which most-favoured-nation treaties can be operative.

An analysis of the German and Austrian returns show that the greatest advantage from most-favoured nation treatment goes to those countries which have a tariff and can use it in direct negotiation. Thus the present German tariff contains many reductions of duties as the result of negotiation with a number of foreign countries. Only 15 per cent. of British imports into Germany get the benefit of these reductions. But the reductions affect as much as 41 per cent. of the Swiss goods sent to Germany and 50 per cent. of the Austrian goods. In the case of Austria, the proportion of the dutiable imports benefiting from reduced duties are:—Italy, 90 per cent. of the whole imports into Austria from that country; Russia, 89 per cent.; Switzerland, 82 per cent.; Germany, 66 per cent.; and United Kingdom, 50 per cent.

The evidence of British traders further indicates the way in which modern developments of commercial and international finance and transport tend to nullify and offset most-favoured nation benefits.

In view of these circumstances the practical experience of the preponderating proportion of British traders and British negotiating and Custom experts, such as the late Sir Edward Law, the late Sir Charles Kennedy, and Sir Charles Follett leads them to the belief that the full advantages of most favoured-nation clauses, both to the United Kingdom and the Dominions overseas, can only be secured when the United Kingdom is in possession of a tariff with which to negotiate for tariff concessions.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The Duke of Connaught visited Potchefstroom in the Western Transvaal on Nov. 25 and received an enthusiastic welcome from the Dutch and British inhabitants. Replying to an address of welcome, the Duke hinted that the King and Queen might yet find it possible to visit South Africa. His Royal Highness reviewed the mounted troops of the garrison and afterwards went over the Government Experimental Farm, which has made remarkable progress since its establishment eight years ago by Lord Milner.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught arrived at Pretoria on Nov. 26 and received a welcome no less warm than those which marked every halt in their Rhodesian tour. The principal ceremony was the laying by the Duke of two foundation-stones, one inscribed in Dutch and the other in English, of the new Union buildings. Princess Patricia had not sufficiently recovered from the heat and fatigue of long Rhodesian journey to take part in the functions.

The Duke and Duchess arrived in Johannesburg on Nov. 28, and were accorded an enthusiastic welcome all the local newspapers pay tribute to the wonderful personal success of the Duke's progress through the country.

A round of important public ceremonies, most of them in the open air, enabled the citizens of Johannesburg to give a particularly hearty welcome to the Duke and Duchess and Princess Patricia on Nov. 29. A correspondent describes the visit as marking a new epoch in the history of the town, in that it gives public recognition to the orderly and well-equipped civic life which has been created in Johannesburg since the war, and to its growing love of the beautiful.

At Johannesburg on Nov. 30 the Duke of Connaught reviewed the Volunteers and afterwards laid the foundation-stone of the Rand Regiment's Memorial. The royal party left for Pietermaritzburg at three o'clock.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours, ending at 6 a.m. yesterday give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Total deaths from all causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	4
B Mandvi, Dhukia, Gomekhadi and Dungri	0	0	23
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Kamawady, Bhuleshwar, Bhara Talao, and Kumbharwada	1	0	20
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	0	0	10
E Sonapur, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	20
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	14
Harbour	0	0	1
Hospital	0	0	6
Total	1	0	102
This day last year	0	1	68

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.

December 16th 1910.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead	Found Infected.
A	84	32	1
B	110	95	4
B	223	113	5
C	157	108	1
D	167	55	1
E	161	52	0
E	110	74	1
F	99	17	0
G	92	3	0
Total	1,202	554	20
Same date last year			1,766

LADIES' CORNER.

THE RETURN OF THE SHEATH GOWN.

Who can ever count on the vagaries of Madame la Mode? No sooner do we think we have her pinned down to a certain style or tendency than off she goes at a tangent—and that, too, after she had given most precise indications that she has started on a long and defined journey. Take the winter fashions for instance—all the model gowns set out by the arbiters of the dress world told one thing clearly, and one thing alone—namely, that the tightfitting skirt, which spelt discomfort, had departed. The very best models from the very best Paris houses, all are roomy enough for perfect freedom of movement. Many of the skirts fall in gathers and pleats from the waist; others show soft, graceful draperies, and all are built on lines that of a return to common sense. Now, curiously enough, the gown which has taken the heart of feminine Paris is quite devoid of the fulness and draperies which the exclusive "ateliers" sent forth in hundred a few weeks ago—it is really a return of the sheath gown of three or four years ago in an exaggerated form. The old sheath gown, when it assumed the extreme form it did in some circles, and which made it impossible, owing to the length of their corsets, for fashionable women to sit down in comfort, had at least an appearance of freedom from the ships downward—the new sheath gown reaches in tube-like fashion to below the knees, where it takes slight, fan-like curves. Even where the overskirt ides, such as that in the charming gown in our illustration, is adopted, it follows the tight, tube-like effect.

MORE TUBES.

Naturally, such tight gowns can only be made in substantial materials—satin cloth, velvet, and thick silk. The transparent tunic which still remains popular must have some degree of fulness, and here we have gathers and many adaptations of scarf trimming both for bodice and skirt. A beautiful action is an afternoon gown, with its overdrees of white cloth completely simple in cut over a plain, narrow skirt of dark green velvet, and its neat decorations of velvet buttons, soft silk sash in paler green, and rich enamel buckle could be worn at a village bazaar by the rector's daughter. Yet make this overskirt guiltless of gathers and several degrees tighter round the ships and knees; nave the bodice moulded so that every curve of the figure is seen; tilt the hat backwards and enlarge it until it hides the whole head and neck, and you have the extreme of a fashion which is making even the seasoned Paris boulevardier utter a shocked "Oh! Oh!" Let one describe one of the prettiest of these new frocks. It was worn by an actress at an afternoon reception. The skirt was cut in six narrow gores. Each gore, after reaching well below the knees, fell in long, round tabs; the division between each of the tabs on the underskirt was filled in with a cone-like decoration in rat-tail braiding. The coat which went with this skirt was also in six pieces, each vandyked to match the skirt, while the large sailor collar had cones of the braiding. The whole costume was in golden brown velvet and black braid. A skunk toque with a trimming of an owl's head and two large, curved white wings was worn with it. The skirt of this gown did not seem to measure more than a yard and a quarter in its six gores at the knees, and it looked more ridiculous than any hobble skirt.

SMART FOOTGEAR.

One effect of the tight skirt is the great attention paid to footgear. Even now that the skirts are worn longer, boots and stocking continue in evidence. Going upstairs, getting into a carriage or cab, or making any step that needs a moderately long stride, it is necessary to hitch the skirt well over the ankles; the top of the boot and a portion of the stocking is thus continually coming into view. The newest boot—shoes are much less worn than they were—is a very smart affair in patent leather with gaiter uppers. These uppers are principally in white, grey, fawn, and black suede, though it still remains usual to have them in the colour of the gown. Some smart Parisiennes, indeed, go the length of having them made in satin or velvet. The patent leather for these boots is of the softest and glossiest description, and their care is a matter the wearer looks after herself. If she hasn't a maid, she has polishing sets and cleaning sets, with which she can revive both leather and suede with soiling her fingers. The heels of these new boots remain enormously high, and the gaiter idea is so entirely carried out that they button straight down the side over the ankle, and the buttons are flat mother of pearl. Silk stockings in dark colours not necessarily corresponding with the gaiters are worn. The short, tight skirt has brought about an exraordinary increase in the sale of silk stockings, two pairs being sold to the one of even twelve months ago. For evening wear shoes of gold and silver cloth are having a great vogue. They last as long as leather look pretty, and are warm and comfortable.

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DAILY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON, December 15.

2 1-2 per cent. Consols	...	...79 2-4 unchgd
per cent. Bonds	...	... 97 2-4 unchgd
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Stock (Sterling Loan)	...	... 94 3-4 unchgd
1-2 per cent. Govt. Securities	...	... 63 1-2 unchgd
Bar Silver in London	...	... 25 1-4 + 1-16
Do. 2 months hence	...	25 7-16 + 1-16
Closing Tone of Silver—Steady buyers at the rate.		
Silver in New York	...	... 55 + 1-8
Exchange on London at Paris Fcs		...25-27 1-4 + 1-2
Do. Berlin		20-42 1-2 unchgd
Do. New York		... 4 85 3-8 + 1-8

Discount Bank of England Rate 4 1-2 p.c. since 1-12-10
Discount Bank Bills 3 months' sight.. 3 7-16 unchgd
Do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight. 3 1-4 unchgd
Do. Fine Trade Bills 3 months... 4 1-8 unchgd
Do. Fine Trade Bills 6 months... 4 1-8 unchgd
Interest day to-day loans ... ... 2 1-4 unchgd
Do. of day market loans ... 2 7-8 + 1-8
Bar Gold (per oz.) ... 77 9 1-8 unchgd
Exchange on India 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) ... 1-3-15

THE BANK OF ENGLAND Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—

Total Bullions	...£35,100,000	Dec.	£5,000,000
Public Deposits	... £ 9,800,000	Dec.	£ 3,000,000
Other Deposits	...41,300,000	Inc.	£ 2,100,000
Government Securities	£15,510,000	Inc.	£ 400,000
Other Securities	...£27,400,000	Unchanged	
Notes and Gold	...£25,500,000	Dec.	£ 6,00,000

The Bank's Reserve is 50 per cent. of the Liabilities.

MANCHESTER, December 15.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—

Spots	Good demand, Steady.	
Futures	...	Quiet.
East Indian	...	Quiet.
Manchester	Moderate business at firm rates.	
Sales of East Indian	...	260
Total Sales	...	15,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export		3,000
Imports	...	22,000
Mid-Americans	...	8-13 + 4
Egyptian F.G.F. Brown	...	11 1-8 unchgd

	D.-J.	J.-F.	F.-M.
Cotton Delivery	7·62	7·93	7·94
	+ 2	+ 2	+ 1
Mid. Uplands	M.-A.	A.-M.	M.-J.
	7·96	7·97	7·98
d. O. C.	+ 2	+ 2	+ 2
	J.-J.	J.-A.	A.-S.
Liverpool	7·97	7·95	7·74
	+ 2	+ 2	+ 2

NEW YORK, December 15.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

COTTON :—

		bales.
Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports	...	68,000
Do Last year	...	24,000
Do. Exports to Great Britain	...	60,000
Do. Exports to Continent	...	43,000
Spot Cotton—		15-20 + 5
Futures at New York ..... Jan. 14-82— 2	Declined owing to commission house liquidation and advanced later partially on covering.	
Do at New York ..... May 15-38— 4		

NEW ORLEANS.—

Spot Cotton	...	14 7-8 unchgd.
Futures—Month of Jan.	...	14-99— 2
Do. do. May	...	15-51— 3

Closing Tone of Futures—Firm.

WHEAT.

Wheat Choice White Karachi		... 36 1-4
Do Months—Dec.-Jan.		
Do Name of Ports—London.		
Do Whether Sellers, &c.—Sellers.		
Tone of Wheat—Firmer.		
Wheat Rozario		... 34
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.		
Do. Whether Buyers, or Sellers, etc.—Sellers. Firm.		

SEEDS.

Rapeseed—Yellow Gujrat per 416 lbs 85 per cent ex-ship.		... 42 1-4
Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.		
Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk.		
Do. Whether Buyers, or Sellers etc.—Sellers.		
Rapeseed—Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs 85 per cent ex-ship		... 45
Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.		
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.		
Do. Weather Buyers or Sellers, etc.—Sellers.		
Rapeseed—Brown Cawnpore 39 lbs. ex-ship		... 39
Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.		
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.		
Do. Whether Buyers, or Sellers, etc.—Sellers.		
Tone of Rapeseed.—Easier.		
Linseed—Bombay, per 416 lbs. ex-ship		... 61 1-2
Do. Months—April-May.		
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.		
Do. Whether Buyers or Sellers, etc.—Sellers.		
Tone of Linseed.—Firm.		
Linseed Argentine—La Plata—		... 58 1-4
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.		
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.		
Do. Weather Buyers or Sellers, etc.—Sellers.		

SUGAR.

German granulated sugar C. and F. India double bags,	...	... 12-3
Months of Shipment, May-Aug.—Sellers.		
Tone of Sugar—Quiet but steady.		

RUBBER.

Para Rubber ...5 10 1-2—Value.—Quiet.

COFFEE.

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality). 13 1-2

The following statement comprises the shipments of goods for the month of November, 1910 :—

Cotton Piece Goods—	To Calcutta. Yards	To Rangoon. Yards.
Bleached and White	12300002	3700000
Unbleached and Grey ...	75800000	1100000
Dyed and Colored	4400000	1500000
Printed	3800000	2100000
Twist and Yarns—		lbs.
Dyed and Bleached	320000	110000
Unbleached and Grey ...	850000	20000

Cotton Piece Goods—	To Madras. Yards	To Bombay. Yards	To Karachi. Yards.
Bleached and White	3200000	15600000	8400000
Unbleached and Grey	8200000	18800000	3200000
Dyed and Colored...	900000	2700000	1600000
Printed	3700000	14000000	2800000
Twist and Yarns—			lbs.
Dyed and Bleached	400000	220000	30000
Unbleached and Grey	5400000	400000	.....

Total shipment of Salt... .....12,000 Tons.

IVORY.

The following quantities have arrived to date for the quarterly sales, January 1911 :—

Tons.	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	
6	9	1	23	East Indian.
5	7	0	4	Abyssinian.
12	6	1	25	Egyptian.
0	17	0	13	West Coast African.
0	1	3	10	Lisbon.
1	3	2	9	Sea Horse Teeth.
0	5	3	0	Walrus Tusks.
1		7		
—	—	—	—	
26	11	2	7	

Deliveries since October auctions 71 Tons.

IVORY QUOTATIONS.

FROM HALE AND SON.

	Solid End.	Hollow End.	Hole.	Prices.
No. 1 Centres hard round ...(No. 3)	3 at 3½	3⅜ at 3⅝	up to 2½	per cwt.
(„ 4)		3½ at 3⅝		
(„ 5)		2⅜ at 3⅜		£ 70
(„ 6)		3⅜ at 4		
No. 2 Centres, hard round ...(No. 7)	3 at 3¼	4 at 4¼	up to 2½	£ 65 10
(„ 8)		4 at 4¼		
(„ 9)		4 at 4¼		
X Centres, hard round	3 at 4	3⅜ at 4¼	up to 2½	£ 61
Soft Centres, round...	3 at 3⅜	3⅝ at 4½	„	£ 68
Soft X Centres ...				£ 66
Soft Flat X Centres.				
No. 1 Centres, hard flat ...(No. 3)	3 at 3⅜	3⅜ at 3⅝	up to 2½	
(„ 4)		3⅜ at 3⅝		£ 60
(„ 5)		3⅜ at 2⅞		
(„ 6)		3⅜ at 4		
No. 2 Centres, hard flat (No. 7)	3 at 3⅜	4 at 4¼	up to 2½	
(„ 8)		4 at 4¼		£ 64
(„ 9)		4¼ at 4½		
Flat X ...				£ 60

	Cut End.	Hollow End.		
Bengal Hollows, round hard ...	B 2⅜ at 3	3¼ at 3½		£ 59 10
	C 2¼ at 2⅞	3 at 3⅜		
	D 2¼ at 2¼	2⅞ at 2¼		£ 58
Bengal Hollows, flat hard ...	B 2⅜ at 3	3¼ at 3½		£ 50
	C 2½ at 2⅜	3 at 3⅜		
	D 2½ at 2⅜	2⅜ at 3¼		£ 47 10
Ball Hollows, hard or soft ...	A 3 at 3¼	3	soft A	£ 70
	B 2⅜ at 3	2⅜ „	B	£ 68
			Hard A	£ 70
			„ B	£ 68
	C 2½ at 2⅜	2½ at 2⅜		£ 60
	D 2¼ at 2⅜	2¼ at 2⅜		£ 40
	E „ at 2⅜	2 at 2⅜		£ 35
Points usual assortment ...				36

The following are the rates for American and Egyptian Cotton as quoted as compared with the last week:—

		8th Dec.	15th Dec.	Difference.
In Liverpool—				
Spot	...	8·08	8·13	+ 5
Dec.-Jan.	...	7·75	7·92	+17
Jan.-July	...	7·80	7·97	+17
In New York—				
Spot	...	14·80	15·20	+ 40
Jan. Futures	...	14·50	14·89	+39
May Futures	...	14·86	15·38	+52
In New Orleans—				
Spot	...	14 11-16	14 7-8	+ 3-16
Jan. Futures	...	14·62	14·99	+37
May Futures	...	15·00	15·51	+51
Egyptian	...	11 1-8	11 1-8	same

YARN.

The Port Trust Warehouses show a decrease of 429 bales over last month's statement leaving 3,090 bales against 11,040 bales last year. The stock is very meagre in comparison with the requirement of the market. There is good inquiry for 30s. and 40s water for near delivery, but spinners require March shipment which does not interest dealers. 2-80 Egyptian is quoted 22 3-4d, but the rate is too high in comparison with the selling price on this side. Demand in the local market is good and rates are gradually increasing.

Home Prices are as under :—

2-30 s Grey 1 0 3-8d.
2-30 s Bleached 13 1-8d.
2-40 s Grey 13 1-4d.
2-40 s Bleached 14 1-2d.
2-60 s Grey 16 3-4d.
2-60 s Bleached 18d.
2-80 s Grey 22 1-4d.
2-100 s Grey 27 1-4d.

Local prices are as under :— per lb.

20 s Water ...	...	Rs. 0 10 6 to 0 11 6
40 s „ ...	...	„ 0 11 6 to 0 13 0
40 s Glasgow ...	...	„ 0 11 9 to 0 13 0
40 s Mull ...	...	„ 0 12 0 to 0 13 8
60 s Mull ...	...	„ 1 2 0 to 1 6
2-100 s Grey ...	...	„ 1 11 9
2-100 s Bleached ...	...	„ 1 13 6
2-80 s Grey ...	...	„ 1 5 8
2-80 s Bleached...	...	„ 1 8 0
2-30 s Grey ...	...	„ 0 12 6
2-30 s Bleached...	...	„ 0 13 0
2-40 s Grey ...	...	„ 0 12 3
2-40 s Bleached...	...	„ 0 13 6
2-60 s Grey ...	...	„ 1 1 6
2-60 s Bleached...	...	„ 1 0 3

MERCERISED YARN.

Rates have advanced in the market and the tone is healthier. Dealers offer 27d and 28d for 2-84, but they are still out by 1d. The Japanese mills are also quoting higher rates and business is unpracticable.

				Rs.
2-84 s	Grey ...	...	at	27 3-4d
2-80 s	Grey ...	...	„	26 3-4d
2-30 s	Bleached ...	...	„	27 3-4d
2-84 s	Bleached ...	...	„	28 3-4d

Local prices are as under :— Per lb.

2-80 s	Grey M. Yarn ...	Rs.	1 9 0
2-80 s	Bleached ...	„	1 9 0
2-84 s	Grey ...	„	1 9 0
2-84 s	Bleached ...	„	1 11 0
2-60 s	Grey ...	„	1 5 0
2-60 s	Bleached ...	„	1 6 6

GREY GOODS.

Last year the stock at this time of the year in the Port Trust Warehouses was 24,600 bales, while this year it is 20,214 bales. There was an increase of 287 bales over last momth's balance at the dock Warehouses, but this increase is due to arrivals of G. P. Drills. The local rates of G.P. Drills have advanced as a dealer is trying to buy up all available cargo, on account of higher rates ruling on the other side. Dealers are holding on to their stock for better rates as Manchester rates are too high and there is no prospect of a near decline. In mercerized dhooties there is good inquiry and some business has been put through for March. Demand is good and prices are gradually put up.

Rallis (Original Fari)		Rs. 5 14	6
Do. (Imitation Fari)		No goods.	
Do. 100,000		„ 6 8	0
Do. 4025		„ 5 4	0
Do. 7900		„ 6 0	0
Do. Drills Majid		„ 7 10	0
Do. Jaconets No. 18		„ 3 8	6
Do. do. No. 636		„ 3 4	0
Do. do. No. 138		„ 2 14	0
Do. Mulls No. 525		„ No goods.	
Ritchie, Four Heads		„ 6 2	
Do. No. 1566		„ No goods.	
Forbes No. 651		„ 5 10	0
Lyon, Shanker		„ 6	0
Do. No. 1575		„ No goods.	
Do. Bhat Chap		„ 6 8	0
Deuhursts 5		„ 6 15	0
Do. B B B		„ 9 0	0
Do. B B		„ 7 14	0
Bombay C No. 1500		„ 5 12	6
Grahams No. 2730		„ 5 10	0
Do. Yellow Horse 3lbs.		„ 5 5	0
Flemings No. 463		„ 5 3	0
Original Sladen's 3lbs		„ 5 11	0
Maedonalds, Drill's Queen		No goods.	
Peppell Drills, American		„ 10 11	0

WHITE GOODS.

Last year there were 39,197 cases in stock in the Port Trust Warehouses when this year they have dropped to 20,920 cases. The tone of the local market is very firm. 16 by 14 nainsook prices are on the rise as stock is getting thin and prices in Manchester having advanced 4 to 5d. over last purchases, business is impossible. Shipments demanded are April-May, which make the position still worst as the goods would arrive after the season is over. Liepmann 1500 is quoted 13s. 1d. In white shirting there is good inquiry, but Manchester prices are quite prohibitive for new purchases.

Graham's Nainsooks		77/7777	No goods.	
Do.	do. ...	88/8888	Rs. 2 4	0
Do.	do. ...	A 1	„ 2 10	0
Do.	do. ...	199/399	„ 2 15	0
Do.	Mulls ...	9/999	„ 2 12	0
Do.	do. ...	9999	„ 4 5	0
Rallis Nainsooks	...	2600	„ 1 15	0
Do.	do. ...	61/81	„ 2 1	0
Do	do. ...	7070/9090	„ 2 4	0
Do.	do. ...	9999	„ 2 6	0
Do.	do. ...	6300/9300	„ 2 9	6
Do.	do. ...	7/27	„ 2 10	0
Do.	do. ...	88/98	„ 2 15	0
Do.	do. ...	39620	„ 3 0	0
Rallis Mulls	...	55	„ 1 4	0
Do.	do. ...	San	„ 1 8	0
Do.	do. ...	1170	„ 1 9	6
Do.	do. ...	1270	„ 1 9	6
Do.	do. ...	50/60	„ 3 0	6
Do.	do. ...	6/600	„ 3 14	0
Do.	do. ...	6000	„ 4 8	0
Do.	do. ...	88	„ 3 7	6
Ritchie Nainsooks	... 3939/5959	„ 1 15	0
Do.	do. ... 3500/5520	„ 2 2	0
Do.	Mulls ... 1260	„ 1 12	0
Do.	do. ... (Jorala).	„ 2 8	3
Lyon Nainsooks	... 4545/6767	„ 2 2	0
Greaves	do ... 8000	„ 3 4	0
Do.	Mulls ... 5060	„ 1 11	6
Do.	Nainsooks 30/50000	„ 2 3	0
Shaw Wallace's	... Motor Car.	„ No Goods.	
Macdonald Mulls	... 64	„ 3 8	0
Liepmanns shirtings	... 1500s.	„ 10 5	0
Holland	... 40000	„ 11 10	0
Do.	... X X X X	„ 10 0	0
Lyon	... ... O 4000	„ 13 10	0
Horrocks Shirtings	... M O	„ 12 6	6
Do.	do. ... M H	„ 13 6	0
Do.	do. ... E F	„ 15 8	0
Do.	do. ... S O	„ 19 8	0
PIECE GOODS.		A O	„ 21 0	0

BOMBAY, December 16.

EXCHANGE.

Market is steady.

We quote :—

Bank's selling—			
T. T. Ready	...	...	1s. 4 1-16d.
D. D. Mail	...	...	1s. 4 2-32d.
T. T. Forward	...		1s. 4 3-32d. Jan.
Bank's Buying—			
Private D. D. Ready	...	...	1s. 4 1-8d.
Credits 3 m/s „	...	...	1s. 4 9-32d.
„ „ Forward	...		1s. 4 1-4d. Mar.
6 m/s Ready	...	...	1s. 4 13-32d.
Francs 3 m/s „	...	...	171 1-4
Marks 3 m/s „	...	...	139 1-4
60 d/s. Hongkong	...	...	135
„ Shanghai	...	...	182 1-4
„ Japan	...	...	149 1-2

BULLION.

Bar silver in London was 1-16 up both for ready and forward at 25 1-4 and 25-7-16 respectively. New York advanced by 1-8 at 55.

Business in silver was done at Rs. 73-9-0. The London Market being advanced and private wires reported "steady and demand," our market remained firm and prices advanced by an anna to two, but late in the evening there being more sellers prices declined to Rs. 73-6-0 at the close with an easier tone. Demand for ready was dull and about 50 cases changed hands.

The Gold market remained quiet with a nominal upcountry and local demand and prices fluctuated by quarter of an anna. Sovereigns were in little less demand and prices were well maintained. Stock of gold and sovereigns seemed more, but demand being poor, there is no likelihood of an improvement at present.

GOLD.

		Rs.	a.	p.
97 touch Fakirsett ...	...	23	6	0
97 touch Chintu ...	...	23	6	0
Narendas Motilal's Chop Swadeshi 96 to 99 touch		23	15	9
National Bank ...	...	23	15	9
Chartered Bank ...	...	23	14	9
Sovereigns Shield ...	...	15	1	0
Do. Dragon ...	...	15	0	0
Australian ...	...	23	15	0
English Gold ...	...	23	15	0
Native Bullion ...	...	23	14	3
Indian Specie Bank ...	...	23	14	0

SILVER.

117 1-2 Penny ...	...	73	6 0
117 Penny Ready ...	...	73	5 0
Local per tola ...	...	0	11 6

FUTURES.

First Settlement ...	...	73	6 0
Second do ...	...	73	10 0

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

Linseed—Steady. London quotation was 6d. up. Demand both for ready and forward being moderate prices remained same.

Rapeseed—Quiet but steady. London quotation was 3d. down. Demand seemed poor and prices were unchanged.

Wheat—Steady. London quotation was 3d. up. Demand moderate and prices remained steady.

Groundnuts, Gingellyseed, Cottonseed and Castorseed—Quiet. Demand being moderate, prices are unchanged.

Poppyseed and Mowraseed—Quiet. Demand dull and prices were nominal.

Descriptions.		Rs.	a.	p.
Linseed, Sold	...	Rs. 11	14	0
Linseed, Small	...	„ 11	8	0
Linseed, Brown	...	„ 11	15	0
RAPESEED—				
Brown Delhi	...	„ 6	6	0
Brown Cawnpore	...	„ 6	5	0
Yellow do.	...	„ 7	4	0
Do. Gujarat	...	„ 7	10	0
Brown Katni	...	„ 6	14	0
Poppyseed	...	„ 9	8	0
Castorseed	...	„ 38	to	39
WHEAT—				
Pissi	...	„ 31	to	33
Hard Red	...	„ 47	to	29
GINGELLYSEED—				
Yellow Hingangat	...	„ 52	to	54
Rai Khandesh	...	„ 75	to	90
Mowra ed	...	„ 7	4	0
Groundnuts	...	„ 48	to	50
Cottonseed	...	„ 26	to	29
Maize	...	„ 36	to	37
Wheat Yellow	...	„ 36	to	38
Khandwa	...	„ 44	to	48
Bajaro	...	„ 25	to	27
Joowar	...	„ 16	to	19
Gram	...	„ 21	to	24
Mimbara	...	„ 52	to	53
Brown Jubbulpore	...	„ 47	to	48
Brown Meggi	...	„ 48	to	49
Kabra	...	„ 49	to	50
Black Katni	...	„ 44	to	45
Myrabollams	...	„ 17	to	19

The following are the weekly receipts of wheat, seeds and produce into Bombay :—

.....	Total for the week ending 16th Dec. 1910.	Since 1st Jan. 1910	Since 1st Jan. 1909
	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
Wheat	119354	3961411	4157234
Linseed	3249	2524320	1799224
Rape Rai and Mustardseeds ...	4679	2267759	1382235
Gingellyseed ...	125974	2797446	1903347
Poppyseed ...	921	632345	631650
Groundnuts ...	35987	730458	340286
Castorseed ...	23405	1290511	1509276
Rice ...	74699	5165898	5840431
Myrabollams ...	7742	1179204	757851
Cottonseed ...	127325	6625794	3903775
Mowraseed ...	969	384964	682806
Gram ...	11634	817348	756354
Joowar ...	10571	384726	352605
Maize ...	2791	96330	167408

The following are the receipts of Wheat and Seeds into Bombay during the 48 hours ended at 6 p. m. on Thursday, 15th December, 1910 :—

Wheat	...	10,211	cwts
Linseed	...	379	„
Rapeseed	...	463	„
Gingellyseed	...	14,155	„
Poppyseed	...	41	„
Groundnuts.. ...	...	5,059	„
Castorseed	...	1,212	„
Rice	...	1,845	„
Myrabollams	...	2,250	„
Cottonseed	...	15,421	„
Mowraseed	...	135	„
Gram	...	2,481	„
Joowar	...	622	„
Maize	...	219	„

LOCAL YARN.

The yarn market on account of the high rates of cotton is on the rise. The Chinese merchants, both in Hongkong and Shanghai, are making purchases at higher rates. Mill-owners are not inclined to make forward contracts on account of the high rates of cotton. The fortnightly sales of Hongkong report sales of 500 bales only because those who hold stocks are not willing to sell as they expect to realise still better rates. Stock 22,000 bales, uncleared stock 18,000 bales, exchange 137. The sales of Shanghai amount to 2,000bales, balance 33,000 bales, uncleared 22,000 bales, exchange 185 1-2. Tone of the market firm.

SHARES.

The market is dull and declining and prices of mill shares have several concerns being neglected. Bank of Bombay shares, after touching Rs. 1,555, have improved to Rs. 1,562 1-2; Bank of India shares have improved to Rs. 64; Indian Specie Bank shares have ruled at and about Rs. 53; Bank of Burma's have changed hands at Rs. 125; and Eastern Bank at Rs. 75; Bombay Merchants Bank shares are unchanged at and about Rs. 9 1-4. In mill companies, Central India's have declined to Rs. 1,640, David's to Rs. 360, Cresent's to Rs. 68 3-4 and Fazulbhai Mill shares to Rs. 190; Finlay's are quiet at Rs. 235; New Great Eastern shares have changed hands at and about Rs. 165; and Sun Mills at Rs. 90; New City of Bombay have declined to Rs. 715; Jamshed's are quiet at Rs. 145; Colaba Land and Mill Co., shares have ruled at and about Rs. 1,080; Framji Petit's after touching Rs. 1,285 have improved to Rs. 1,330; and Kohinoor's are at Rs. 610; Manockjee Petit's have gradually declined to Rs. 2,700; Sassoon Spinning and Weaving Co. shares are quiet at Rs. 800; Sassoon and Alliance Silk Mill shares have declined to Rs. 565, Southern Mahratta's to Rs. 940, Standard's to Rs. 930; Swadeshi's to Rs. 1,005, and Vishnu Cotton Mill ordinary shares to Rs. 4,90. Press shares are quiet and unchanged; Mofussil's have kept at and about Rs. 817 1-2; New Berar's are quiet at Rs. 565; and Indian Cotton at Rs. 145. In Miscellaneous Companies, Bombay Burma Trading Corp. are unchanged at Rs. 517 1-2; Bombay E. S. and Tram Corp. ordinary shares have changed hands at and about Rs. 120 and preference shares at Rs. 168; Bombay Steam N. Company's shares are steady at Rs. 290 and preserence shares at Rs. 282 1-2; Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Co. Shares are in demand at Rs. 235; Port Cauning and Land. Imprv Co. shares have changed hands at Rs. 770; Shivrajpur's are weak at Rs. 19; Tata Iron and Steel Co. ordinary shares are unchanged at Rs. 43 and preference shares at Rs. 133 and differed shares at Rs. 81; Bombay Telephone Co. shares have changed hands at Rs. 40 3-4; Treacher's are quiet at Rs. 475. In Railway Companies, Ahmedabad Prantej are quiet at Rs. 610, New shares at Rs. 350; Ahmedabad Dholka's at Rs. 121; Tapty Valley Railway Co. shares at Rs. 481 1-4; Amritsar Patty old shares at Rs. 119 and New shares at Rs. 117. The rest are unchanged at previous quotations.

COTTON.

Liverpool was 1 to 2 points down, New York 5 up, and futures were 2 and 4 down. The tone of the local market for ready lots was firm and prices advanced by Re. 1 to Rs. 2. Demand from exporters and mills was moderate. The opener advised 1 point down. Demand for new crop was good and prices advanced by Rs. 2 to 3. New Broach opened at Rs. 352 1-2, but at the close it advanced to Rs. 355 1-2 on account of good demand.

1500	R D Master & Co	...Khandesh	... 332-335
200	Japan T & Co	...Warora	... 366
200	do	...Nagpur	... 366
200	do	...Malkapur	... 362
200	S J David Mill	...Bengal	... 297
200	Assur Mill	...Multan	... 320
100	Pitit Mill	... do	... 320
200	do	...Bengal	... 296
200	Elphistone Mill	...Comptah	... 352
200	Morarji	...Jalna	... 330

Bengal Hand Gin.. Fine	...	...	300
„ F Good	...	...	287
Bengal Machine Gin Fine	...	...	302
„ F Good	...	...	302
Sind Punjab Fine	...	...	314
„ F Good	...	...	301
Khandesh Fine	...	...	320
„ F Good	...	...	320
Dhamangaon Poolgaon Fine	...	...	349
„ F Good	...	...	339
Akola Khangaum Fine	...	...	345
„ F Good	...	...	335
Amraoti Fine	...	...	345
„ F Good	...	...	335
Vectmal Fine	...	...	352
„ F Good	...	...	342
Nagpore Fine	...	...	357
„ F Good	...	...	347
Wardha Hingenghat Fine	...	...	359
„ F Good	...	...	349
Methia Fine	...	...	330
„ F Good	...	...	320
Broach Gin Fine	...	...	374
„ F Good	...	...	364
Broach Gin Good	...	...	354
Sawginned Good	...	...	360
Comptah Gin	...	...	362
Westerns H. G	...	...	344
Do M G	...	...	350

Receipts of various growths of Cotton at Bombay to date compared with the corresponding periods of the previous season :—

.....	Total for week 15 Dec.	Total since 1st Oct. 1910.	Total same time last season 1909.
Khandeish	Bales. 20,208	Bales. 79,233	Bales. 1,05,797
Central India... ...	2,758	5,850	1,05,73
Barsee and Nagur ...	4,084	9,849	44,068
Berar	20,203	73,793	1,37,337
Central Provinces ...	7,871	27,667	92,970
Total Oomras ...	55,124	1,96,393	3,90,555
Dhollerea	4,502	12,568	5,832
Broach	41	127	248
Compta and Dharwar.	1,382	16,626	1,871
Westerns	101	1,104	2,733
Bengals (N. W. Provinces)	13,041	1,93,650	2,62,143
Bengals (Rajputana)...	2,531	8,267	6 615
Sind	2,579	8,840	9,988
Persian	7	102	1,351
America	...	3	361
Egyptian	...	200	397
Other sorts	...	2	43
Total ...	79,308	4,37,866	6,82,237

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m. on Thursday, 15th December, 1910 :—

Khandeish	—	...	...	3 650 Bales
Central India	...	...	...	334 „
Barsi and Nagur	...	...	...	709 „
Berar	...	...	...	2,769 „
Central Provinces	...	...	...	... „
Oomras	...	...	...	7,462 „
Dhollera	...	...	...	1,188 „
Broach	...	...	...	... „
Coompta and Dharwar	...	...	...	35 „
Westerns	...	...	...	... „
Bengal N. W. P.	...	...	...	1,793 „
Bengals Rajputana	...	...	...	457 „
Rajputana...	...	...	...	... „
Sind	...	...	...	882 „
Persia	...	...	...	2 „
American	...	...	...	... „
Egyptian	...	...	...	... „
Other sorts	...	...	...	... „
Total...				11,854

LIVERPOOL, December 16.

Opening Tone and Prices.

Opening Tone	...	...	...Quiet but steady.
Estimated Sales	...	...	8,000
Total Imports	...	...	12,000

Future Delivery Prices :—

Dec.—Jan.	...	...	...	7·91— 1
Jan.—Feb.	...	...	...	7·92— 1
Feb.—Mar.	...	...	...	7·93— 1
Mar.—Apl.	...	...	...	7·95— 1
Apl.—May	...	...	...	7·96— 1
May.—June	...	...	...	7·98 Same
June—July	...	...	...	7·95— 1
July—Aug.	...	...	...	7·94— 1
Aug.—Sept.	...	...	...	7·73— 1

METALS.

The stock of copper in the dock Warehou

GOSSIP OF THE WEEK.

LONDON, Dec. 2.

THE UNEQUAL STRUGGLE.

It is true that election posters have succeeded to a large extent in banishing the consideration of Christmas cards from the minds of citizens. That is part of the price which the Government are exacting by this frenzied appeal on a stale Register. The season of peace and goodwill has been turned to a season of storm and stress, with the aftermath of partisan rancour casting the shadow of its bitterness over the great festival of the Christian years. Yet Christmas cards cannot be altogether neglected. Even the distracted politician must find a moment or two in which to attend to the custom which no new-fangled manners have succeeded in wholly stamping out. We have often been bidden to the death-bed of the Christmas card. But it declines to die. Valentines may perish, and May Day be dishonoured, but the Christmas card goes on, a tribute to the imperishable friendliness of friendship. It is the fashion of the card which changes. There is little that is Christmassy about the modern Christmas card. It is a more beautiful thing than it used to be. In taste and draughtsmanship, in colour and reproduction, it is superior to the old examples. But it might just as well pass for a card of spring greeting as for a remembrance of Christmas. This is presumably the natural consequences of climatic evolution. We never have in these degenerate years a "good oldfashioned Christmas." Our snow and frost reserve their vigour for the spring. So the Christmas card has wearied of pretence. It has abandoned the gallant effort of selfdeception. It represents Christmas as it is—not Christmas as it used to be. This year—who knows?—the popular card may represent a polling booth or a meeting in the Corn Exchange, with topical verses and politics to suit all tastes. We live in sorry times.

LORD AVEBURY ON TRUTH.

Lord Avebury can only conclude that Mr. Lloyd George really knows nothing about the House of Lords. We do not wonder. Mr. Lloyd George charged the peers with knowing nothing of the responsibility and anxiety of business. Lord Avebury, analysing the constitution of the House, shows that something like half the members have experience of the Church and the Law, the Navy and Army, and the duties of administration, while the other half includes presidents of Chambers of Commerce, of great banking associations, of railway and shipping companies. Unless Mr. Lloyd George confines his conception of business to selling over a counter, or dispensing advice at six-and-eightpence a time even he must see that the Lords have a solid claim to be considered business men. Another of Mr. Lloyd George's mistakes was to describe the House of Lords as a collection of "Norman filibusters." His mind was running too much on the Conqueror. Most of the peers date from the last four centuries; eight go back to the fourteenth century; eight to the thirteenth. Alas for the fanciful apparitions that came over with Duke William! The House is mainly composed of peers of comparatively recent creation, and of those ennobled since 1832 considerably more than half, as has been lately remarked, have been Liberals. If Mr. Lloyd George were an ordinary speaker, one would think that experience might make him more careful of his facts. But he is not an ordinary speaker. Nor is cricket his game. The oftener he is caught out the more catches he delights to give.

A HOARE FROST.

There are methods of political warefare which are apt to have the effect of a boomerang and we cannot help thinking that the multiplication of candidates of the same name is one of them. That Mr. Hoare, the sitting member for Chelsea, should be opposed by a Radical candidate is a normal and fit consequence of a General Election. That another Mr. Hoare should be put up to fight the seat seems hardly playing the game. If there be no intention of seeking some advantage from a probable confusion in the minds of the more careless and ignorant voters who find themselves confronted by a ballot paper with two similar names upon it, we can only say that the suspicion of such intention is inevitable. Unionist canvassers and workers must impress the initials or Christian name of the right Mr. Hoare upon the constituency with unwearying emphasis. And one would hope that rather shabby tactics will tell in the end against those who have adopted them.

MR. BONAR LAW.

It would hardly be contested that Mr. Bonar Law is one of the most influential men in politics to-day. Both sides would so far agree. And what has given Mr. Law his power? Character, says a writer in the "Mail." He does not possess, or disdains to use, swift verbal surprises; there is little or no appeal in the tones of his voice; his speech is devoid of ornament. In place of the graces he shows vigorous common sense, a terse and forceful exposition of practical matters. One would add to the critic's description that Mr. Law suggests entire honesty in his treatment of facts, and moreover complete acquaintance with those facts. So many of our politicians appear to an audience to be only superficially acquainted with their case; they gloss their ignorance by their ingenuity. The audience smiles, perhaps cheers, but is not befooled. The day of reckoning, as a certain East End orator has just discovered, quickly comes to the teller of half facts and a half in this age of publicity. Correction as a rule follows hard on the heels of mis-statement. One cannot but believe that Mr. Law is an honest politician because he cannot help it.

A JEWISH LESSON.

Lord Rothschilds appeal to his fellow Jews contains a striking reminder of recent history. In the last American elections both the Republican and Democratic parties were struck by the fact that the large number of Jewish voters in New York and other places were not influenced by personal considerations nor did they ask for any privileges nor any amendment of the law in their favour in return for their vote. Lord Rothschild is confident that his co-religionists here will be actuated by the same high principles one has no doubt they will. Lest Christian voters should fancy that the appeal has no bearing not even the most indirect on their own attitude, we would point out that it is based on a principle of general application. Many electors imagine they can give an honest vote by allowing themselves to be swayed to one side or another by minor questions on which they have a personal feeling. Such votes may indeed be honest in a sense, but in an election like this they are mischievous.

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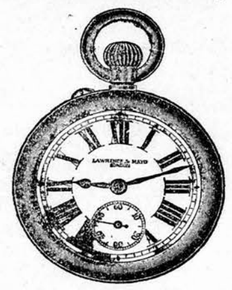

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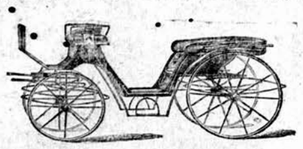

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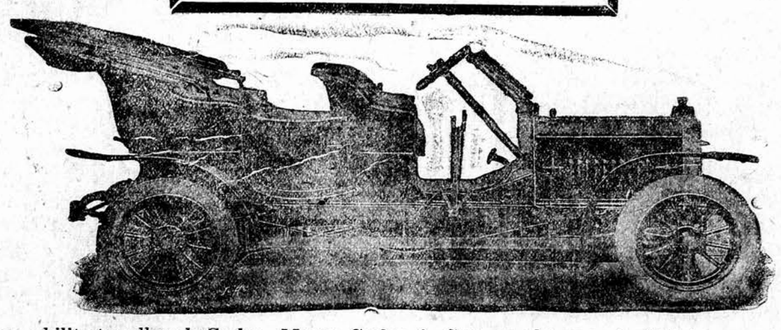

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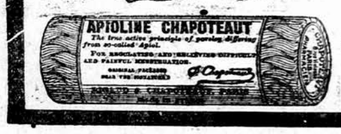

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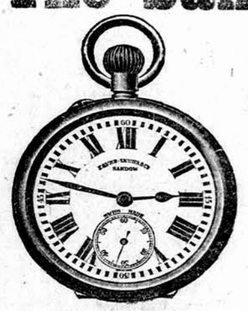

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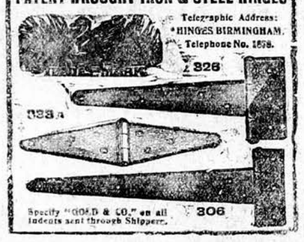

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